

# ARTS

HIGH SCHOOL  
Class of 2009



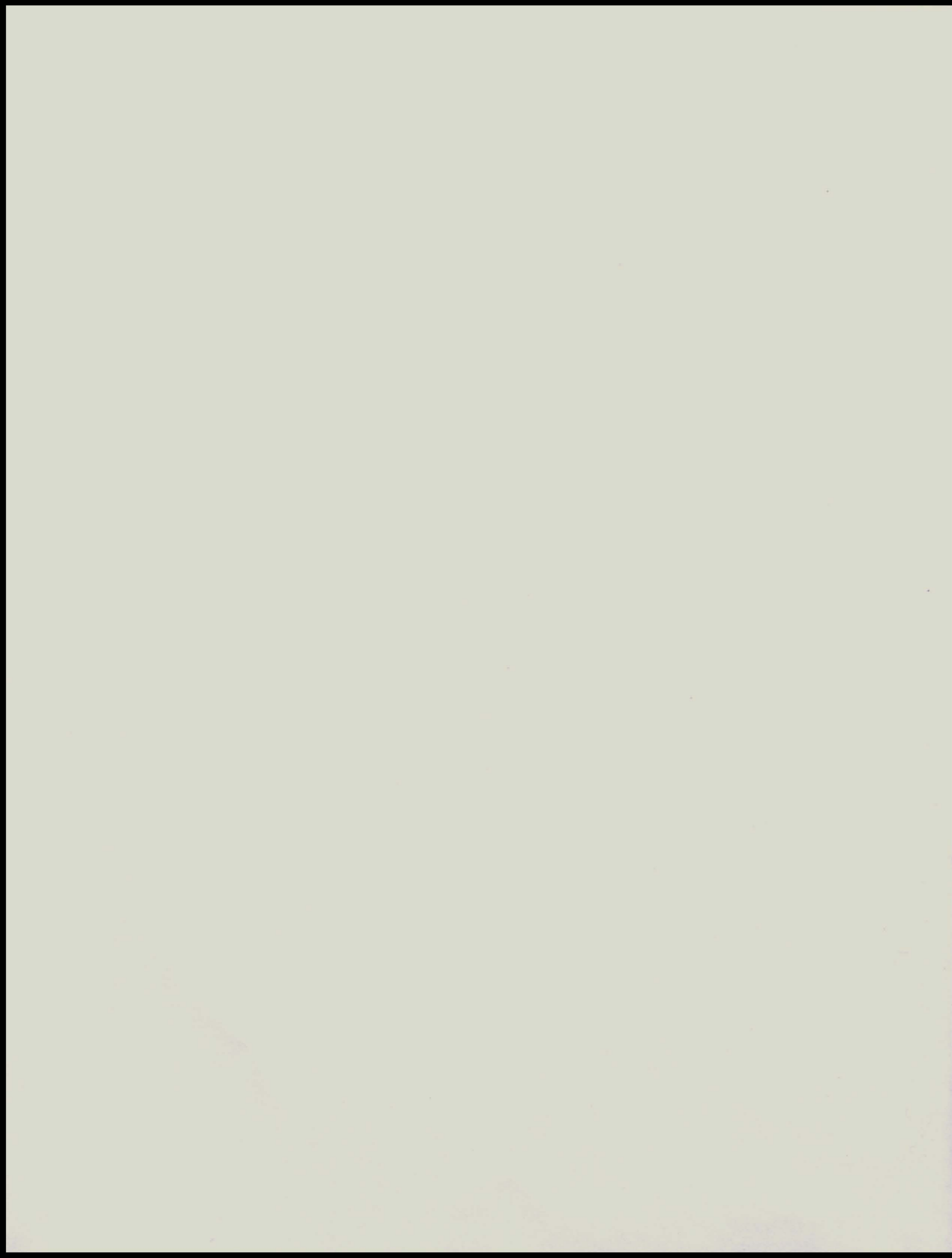
"Compass

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# *As One"*

To be composed as one, is to be unified under one roof or title. Arts High School is full of sounds, visual arts and life. Everyone comes together to create harmony within it's walls. Dance, Drama, Fine Arts, Instrumental, Television Communications and Vocal majors work together to create a masterpiece that allows the atmosphere and environment to be composed as one.







ARS

High School

Class of 2009:

Together we entered the esteemed halls of Arts High School four years ago. It is now time for our paths to part. During the time that we have been a part of this wonderful Arts High School family, I have watched you grow and mature from timid freshmen into the assured and competent seniors that you are. While parting will be painful and sad, it will also be joyous since it means that your paths have catapulted you to this time in history and you are going on to become the young adults that you have been prepared to become.



You have been engaged in curricular and social experiences that have made you more than prepared to go forth and do well. You have been molded into persons who are capable of achieving anything that you undertake. You have been encouraged to work cooperatively in teams with a sense of systems that you will face in the world of college and/or work when you leave Arts High School. You have been strengthened by the mere fact that your class began with over 280 students and you are among the 182 who made it through the four arduous years of Arts High School.

Even though I will no longer officially be your principal after June, 2009, I will always hold the proud distinction of being your only high school principal. I ask that you remember that you will always hold the special place in my heart of being 'my' graduating class since we entered Arts High School together.

As your paths carry you away from me, I send you forth into a world that is ever changing with the knowledge that you can do anything you set as a goal, and you can be all that you want to be. I send you forth with the assurance that even though you will make mistakes, you will learn from them and continue on your journey. I send you forth with the knowledge that we have prepared you as a systems thinker so that your personal mastery will always be in your mind and your mental models will serve you well in all situations wherever your paths take you.

Last of all, I send you forth with my prayers for a wonderful, successful and happy life.

Always your principal,

*Dr. Norma Fair-Brown*

Dr. Norma Fair-Brown



To the Graduating Class of 2009:

What a difference four years make. In the fall of 2005, you, and 252 others entered the doors of what became your home away from home-Arts High School. You were nervous and scared, yet excited and unsure of what the future held for you. Together, you shared happy times and some not so happy times. It may have not been easy, but you persevered. Now, four years later, in this historical moment in time, you join your fellow classmates to celebrate your individual and collective accomplishments. As you celebrate your graduation, take time to thank everyone who helped to make this possible, for you did not do it alone. Take time to remember those fellow classmates who started this journey with you, but unfortunately, for whatever reason, did not finish with you. Finally, take time to reflect on all your efforts in getting here. You will need the same effort and more as you continue on the road of life.



As you journey to the next phase of your life, know that whatever you choose to do, you must control your destiny. To paraphrase a famous poet, remember, you are the master of your fate; you are the captain of your soul. Dream big dreams-we live in an America where anything is possible. You are the first class to graduate with an African American as President of these United States of America-President Barack H. Obama! You have experienced history; you are living history. Therefore, it is vitally important that you continue to make history as you take your rightful place in the world. Follow your dreams and be all that you can be. I encourage you to remember your fellow graduates, your Arts High brothers and sisters, and as family, offer support and encouragement to never give up.

You will be missed. Never forget your Arts High family, come back and give back.

Carry this thought with you always: "Yes, we can!"

Congratulations,

*Ricardo Pedro*

Mr. Pedro

Vice Principal





**James Waldron** - Athletic Director



**Shelley Goodluck**  
Counselor



**Vicki Senzon**  
Counselor



**Brandon Simmons**  
Counselor



**Betty L. Holloway**  
School to Career Coordinator



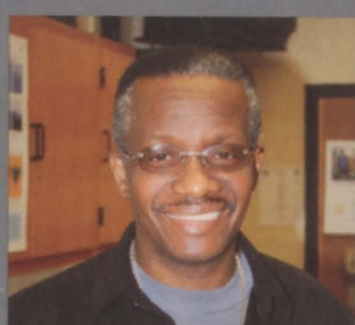
**Dr. Paula Wilson**  
Psychologist



**Kira Baskerville-Williams**  
Social Worker



**Donna Jordan**  
Parent Liaison



**Dr. Henry Grant**  
Speech Therapist



**Joyce Sperling**  
Learning Consultant



**Annabela Simoes**  
Teacher Aide



**Carmen Carraquillo**  
Personal Aide



**Jasmin Howard**  
Personal Aide



**Carmen Bynum** - Guidance Chairperson





**Khalilah Williams**  
Personal Aide



**Edith L. Battles**  
School Clerk



**Lidia Rossi**  
School Clerk



**Lisa Shabazz**  
School Typist



**Robert Richardson**  
Art Teacher



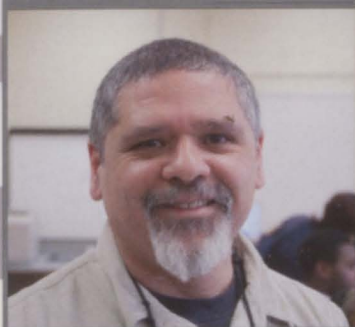
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Art Teacher



**Kennis Fairfax**  
Art Teacher



**Jackson Lenochoan**  
Art Teacher



**Fausto Sevilla**  
Art Teacher



**William Freire**  
Spanish Teacher



**Nancy Guajardo-Perez**  
Spanish Teacher



**Yunaisys Maynard**  
Spanish Teacher



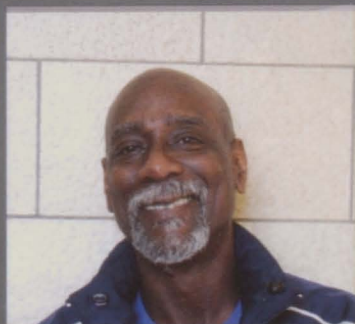
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**Terrence Brogdon**  
Health/Physical Education Teacher



**Michael Earl**  
Health/Physical Education Teacher



**John Mobley**  
Health/Physical Education Teacher



**Margaret El** - Visual Arts Chairperson

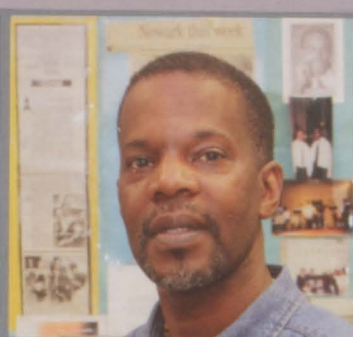




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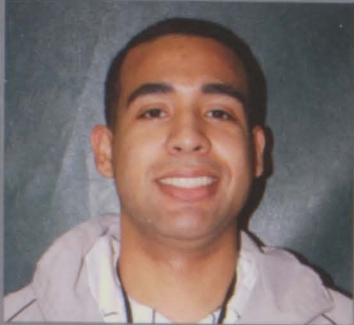
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Health/Physical Education Teacher



**Oscar Petty**  
Music Teacher



**Christine Sweet**  
Music Teacher



**Paulo Penha**  
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**Dennis H. Argul**  
Music Teacher



**Richard L. Smith**  
TV/Communications Teacher



**Gail Johnson**  
Technology Coordinator



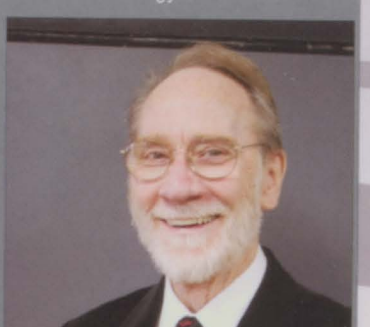
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**Ronnie Carney**  
Dance Teacher



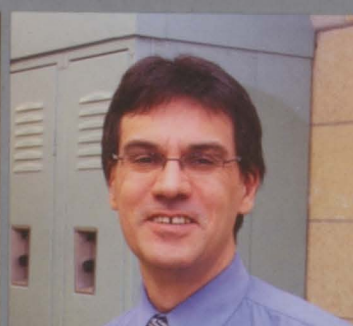
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Music Teacher



**Dr. Jerry Forderhase**  
Music Teacher



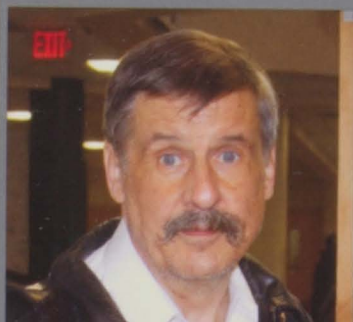
**James Manno** - Performing Arts Chairperson



**Michele Fiorindo**  
Music Teacher



**Carl Gonzalez**  
Drama Teacher



**Robert Krueger**  
Piano Teacher



**Kim Richardson**  
Dance Teacher





**Jacob Paduano**  
Piano Teacher



**Jon Rafols**  
TV/Communications Teacher



**Curtis Norfleet - Head Custodian (PM)**



**Davis**  
Attendance Counselor



**Max Pierre-Louis**  
Security Guard



**Judy Williams**  
Custodian



**Eva K. Bowman**  
Custodian



**William Kriegsman**  
Media Specialist



**Shaunae Staley**  
Security Guard



**Clementine Rouse-Kellam**  
Food Services



**Dorothy Sheppard**  
Food Services



**Darlene Ramsuer**  
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**Lashonda Scott**  
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**Brendolyn Washington**  
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**Viola Johnson**  
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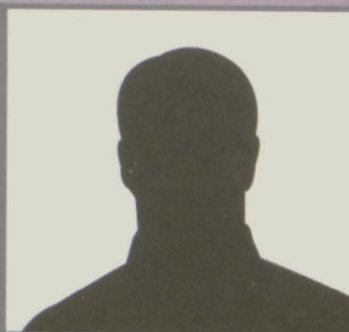


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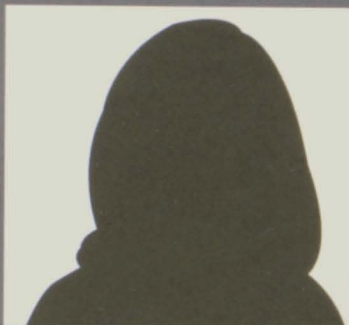
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Custodian



**Antonio McClain**  
Custodian



**Shahidah Muhammad**  
Custodian



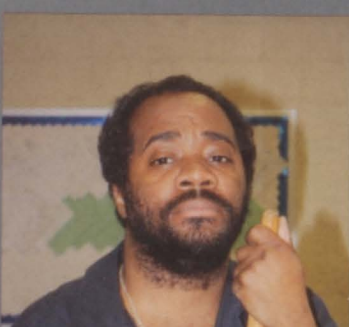
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Custodian



**Roberta Echols**  
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Custodian



**Jay J. Hazlewood**  
Custodian



**Meghan Kempfe**  
English Teacher



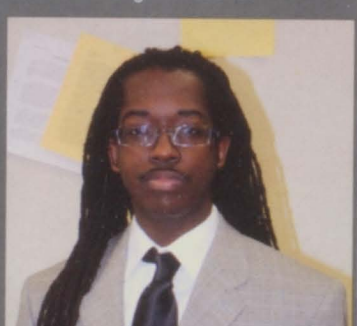
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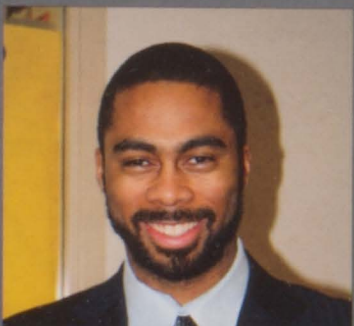
**Bonnie Spearman**  
Nurse



**Stephanie Leon**  
Social Studies Teacher



**Scott Cumberbatch**  
English Teacher



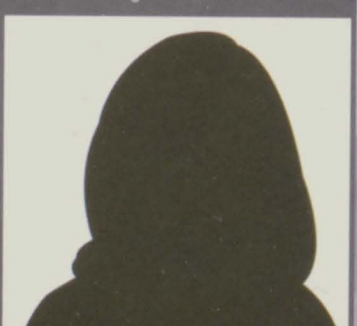
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English Teacher



**David De Sousa**  
English Teacher



**Ayesha Gallion**  
English Teacher





**Kelly Manderichio**  
English Teacher



**Sean Warner**  
English Teacher



**Leslie Anglin**  
Social Studies Teacher



**Deanna Whitley**  
Social Studies Teacher



**Thomas Glen**  
Social Studies Teacher



**Linda Fascio**  
Resource Teacher



**Antoino Lopes**  
Social Studies Teacher



**Christina Wallace**  
Social Studies Teacher



**Aniesa Atiyyeh**  
Math Teacher



**Scott Kimberly**  
Math Teacher



**Susan Lobell**  
Math Teacher



**Krishna Chaudhuri**  
Math Teacher



**Princess Towe - Humanities Chairperson**



**Halashon Sianipar**  
Math Teacher



**Nargis Chaudhry**  
Math Teacher



**Erick Silvestre**  
Physics Teacher



**Chentia Newton-Hooper**  
Biology Teacher





**Linda Cuttino-Crawford**  
Chemistry Teacher



**Oksana C. Hnatzuk**  
Comprehensive Science Teacher



**Ivory Williams**  
Science/Biology Teacher



**Dr. Neelam Sharma**  
Comprehensive Science Teacher



**Michael De Antonio Jr. - Science & Math Chairperson**





# Class of 2009





**Devin Alexander**  
Fine Arts



**Jeremy Alphonse**  
Instrumental



**Racquel Alves**  
Fine Arts



**Marline Anozil**  
Television Communications



**Isamar Aponte**  
Fine Arts



**Marveina Bailey**  
Instrumental



**Kiera Baker**  
Instrumental



**Chanel Barden**  
Instrumental



**Taliah Barone**  
Fine Arts

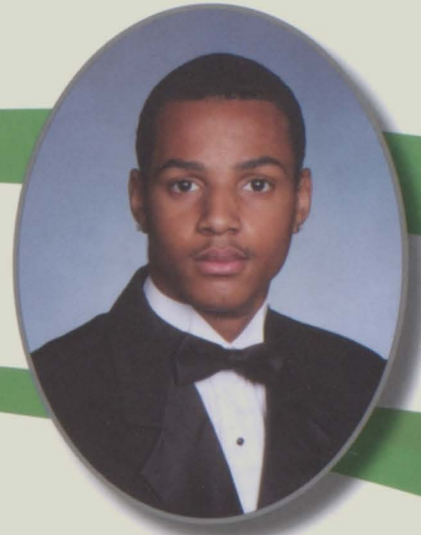




**Xandra Barr**  
Television Communications



**Lakeerah Battle**  
Instrumental



**Sha'Ya Bell**  
Instrumental



**Javonna Bowers**  
Vocal



**Mary Bradshaw**  
Vocal



**Rasheed Brown**  
Vocal



**Shamirah Brown**  
Dance



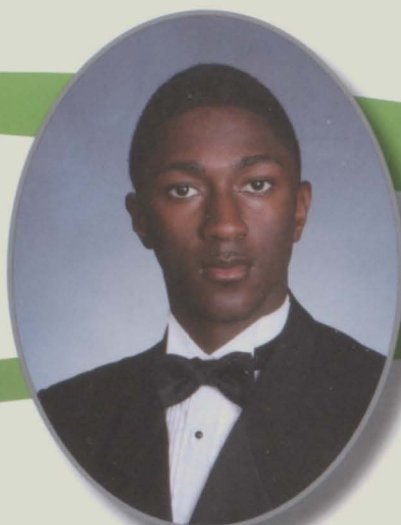
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Drama



**Dwight Budhram**  
Fine Arts



**Kharissah Burney**  
Dance



**Al-Rafiq Calder**  
Dance



**Christopher Camacho**  
Fine Arts



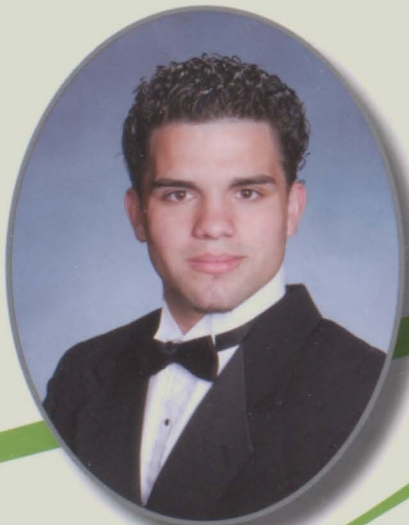
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**Armani Campbell**  
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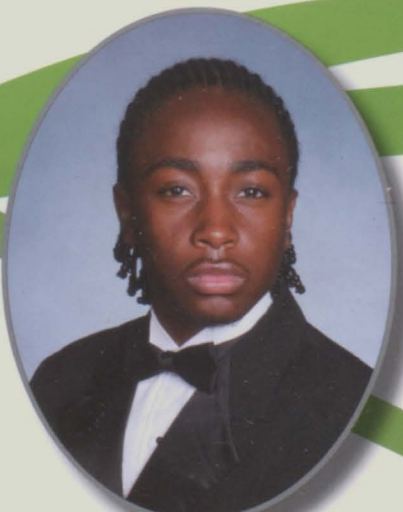
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**Oscar Chaves**  
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**Courtney Clarke**  
Drama

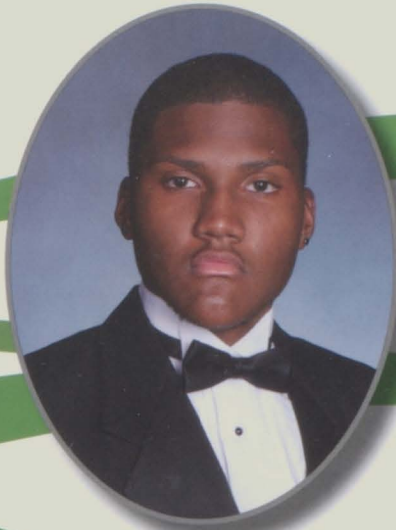


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Fine Arts





**Bruno Coelho**  
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**Rashad Cooper**  
Fine Arts



**Abigail Cordero**  
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Vocal



**Ayana Crews**  
Vocal



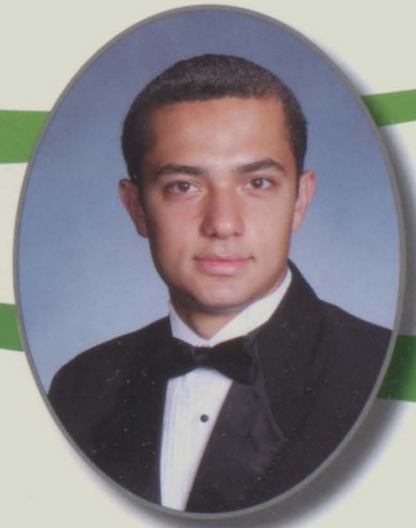
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Fine Arts



**Elizabeth Davila**  
Vocal



**A-La-Renee Davis**  
Vocal



**Fernando De Oliveira**  
Instrumental





**Yasmin De Jesus**  
Fine Arts



**Monica Dias**  
Fine Arts



**Aurelie Dienhoue**  
Vocal



**Shaniqua Durham**  
Instrumental



**Brianna Edler-Strand**  
Television Communications



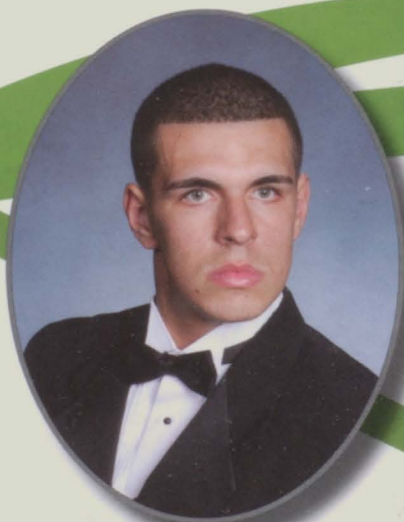
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**Luis Flores**  
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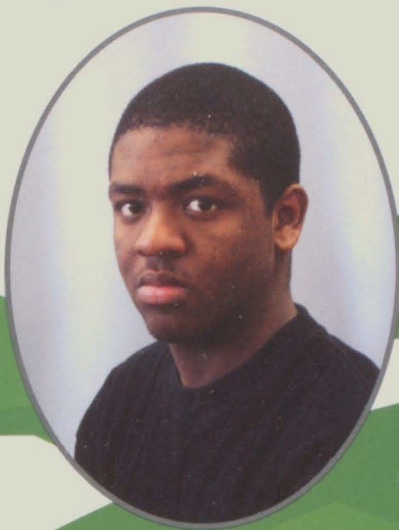


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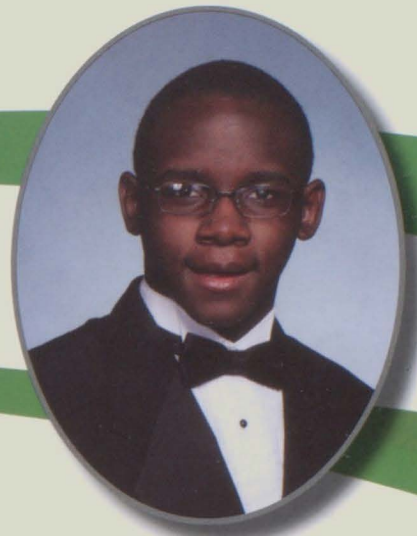




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**Tanaja Gardner**  
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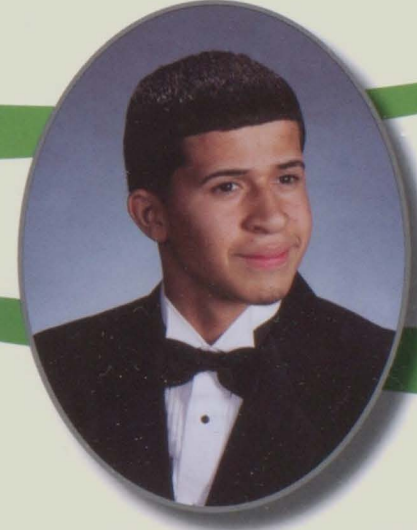
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Television Communications



**Catherine Gomes**  
Dance



**Priscilla Gomez**  
Fine Arts



**Alexis Gonzalez**  
Instrumental





**Genese Gonzalez**  
Vocal



**Maryemma Gonzalez**  
Instrumental



**Lauren Grant**  
Instrumental



**Nytasia Harris**  
Instrumental



**India Henry**  
Vocal



**Nicole Herald**  
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**Arlene Hernandez**  
Drama

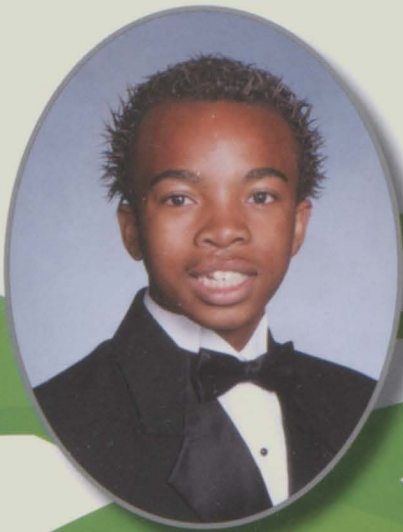


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**Christina Hiers**  
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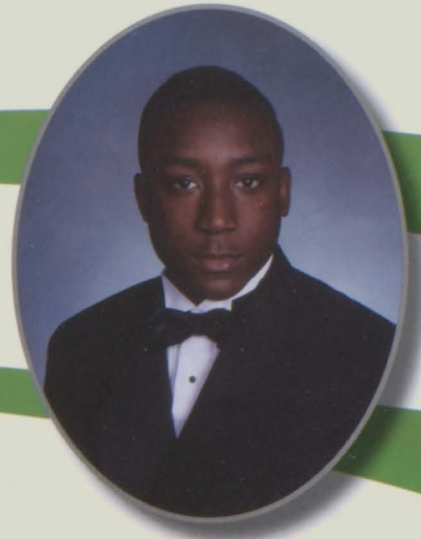




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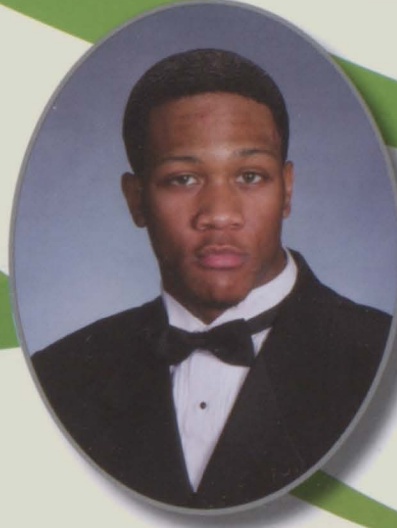
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Jamaul Jerido  
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Eric Jernigan  
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Vocal



Trevor Johnson  
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Ruth Jorge  
Television Communications





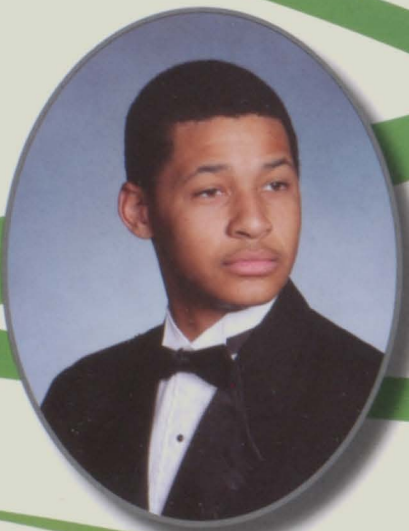
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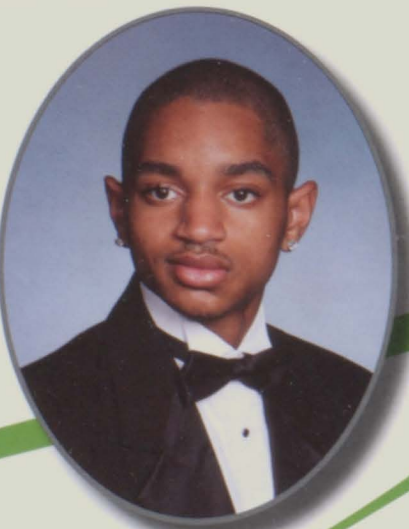
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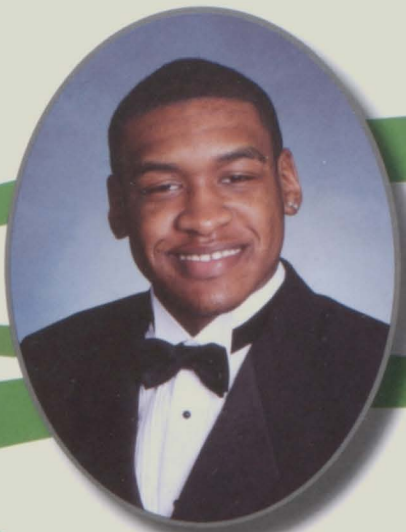


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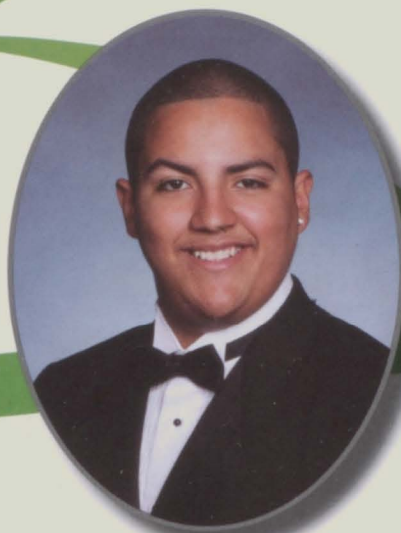
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Fine Arts



**Hazeez Lucas**  
Fine Arts



**Karen Magdaleno**  
Dance



**Benny Malave**  
Instrumental



**Jasmine Mans**  
Television Communications



**Diamond Maple**  
Dance



**Eileen Marengo**  
Drama



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Instrumental



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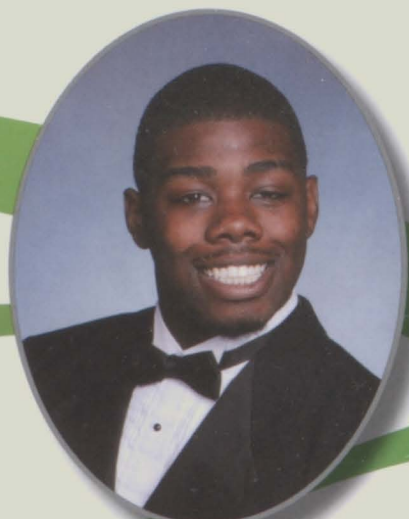




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**Naseera Mayo**  
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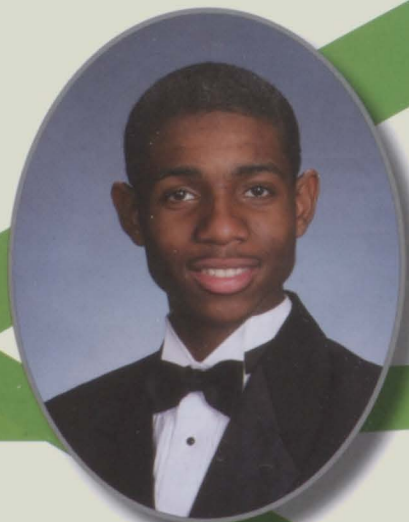
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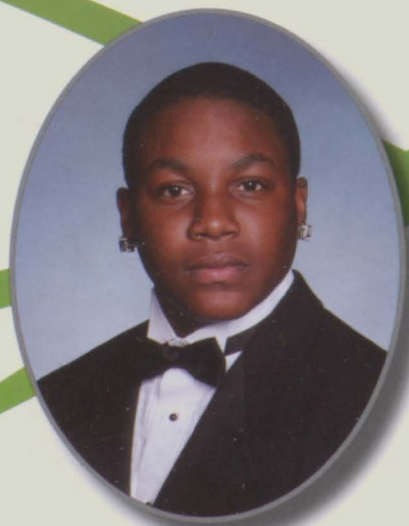
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**Ravon Middlebrooks**  
Vocal



**Victoria Middlebrooks**  
Instrumental



**Hydriill Miller**  
Fine Arts



**Lionel Mitchell**  
Instrumental





**Niobe Molina**  
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**Iraika Montalvo**  
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**Alyce Muhammad**  
Drama



**Wilmaries Munoz**  
Drama



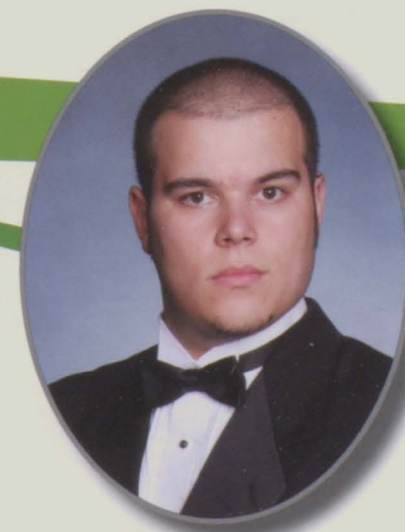
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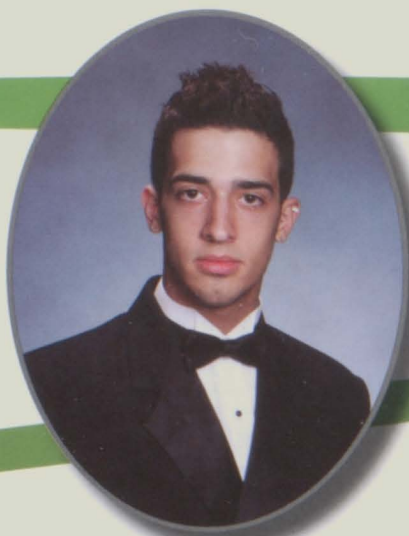


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**Evander Nina**  
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**Mark Oliveira**  
Fine Arts



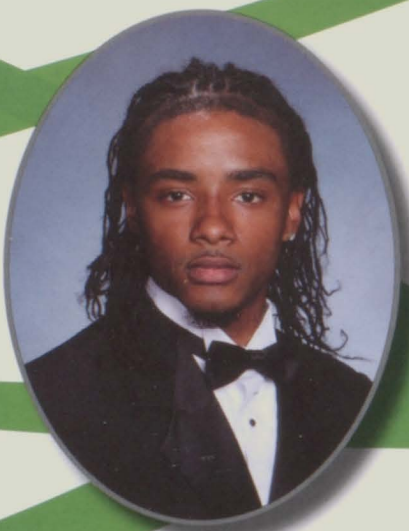
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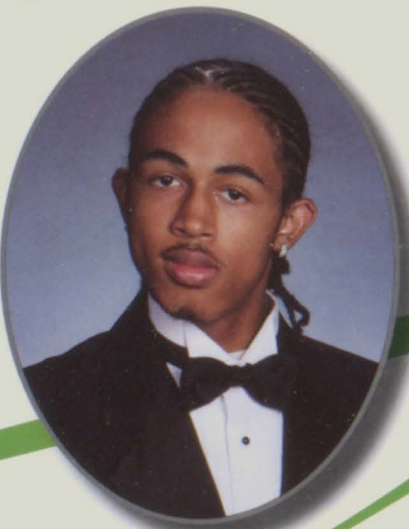
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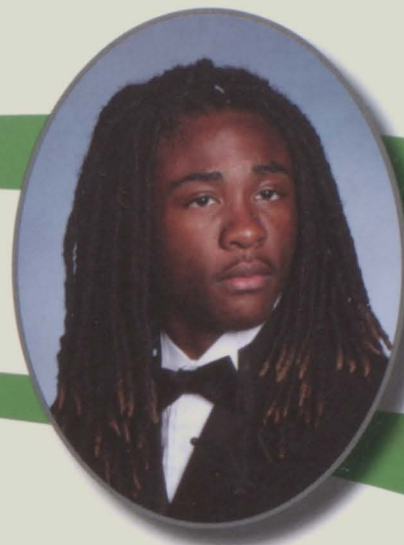




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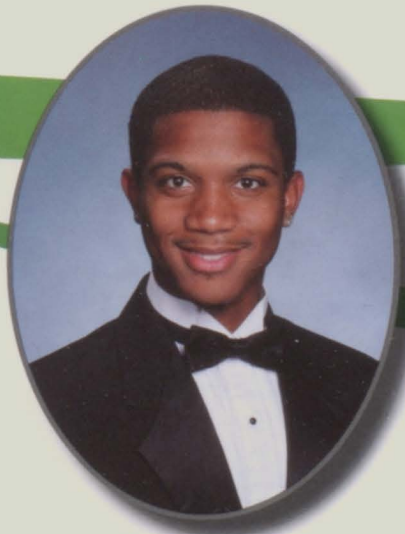
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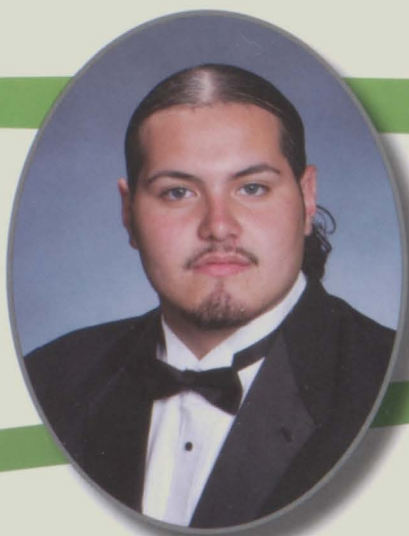


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Vocal



**Bianca Rivera**  
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Instrumental



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**Jasminne Rodriguez**  
Instrumental



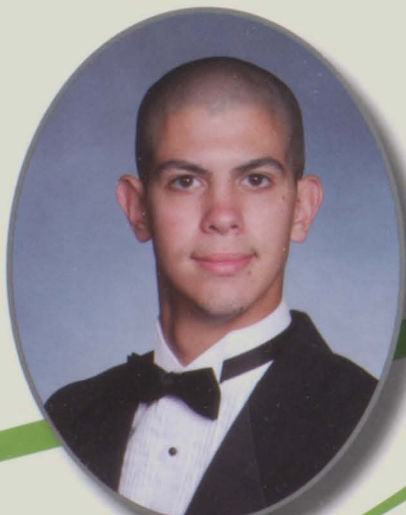
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Drama



**Michael Rodriguez**  
Vocal



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Fine Arts



**Joaquim Santos**  
Instrumental



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**Jazzlyn Sierra**  
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**Kasey Silva**  
Drama



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Television Communications



**Steven Simoes**  
Fine Arts



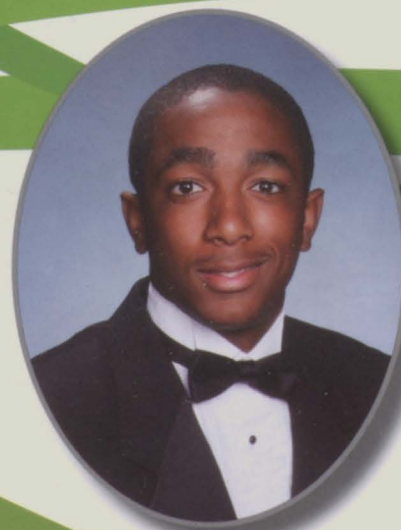
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Vocal



**Jaquetta Stevenson-Johnson**  
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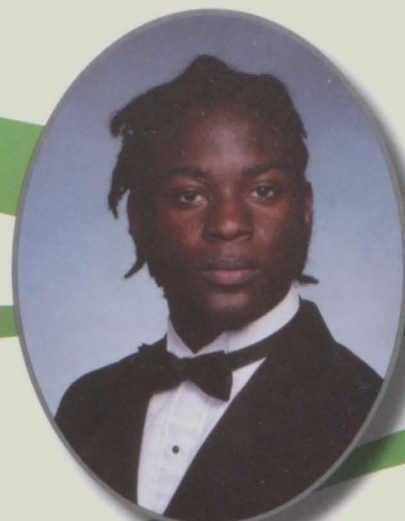




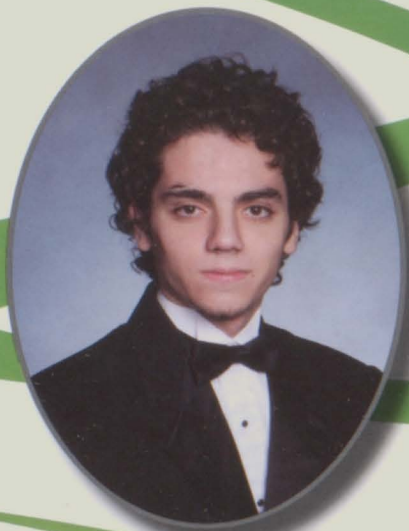
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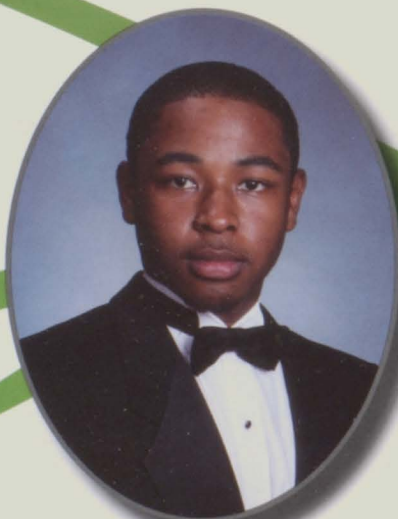
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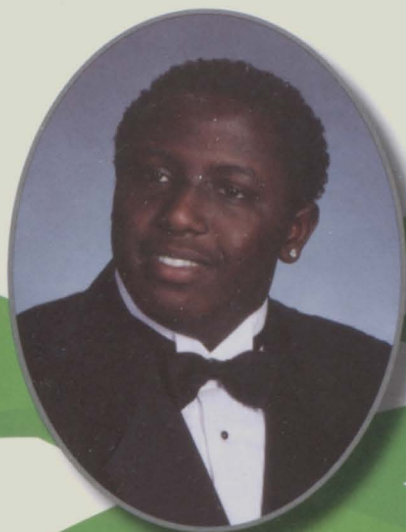


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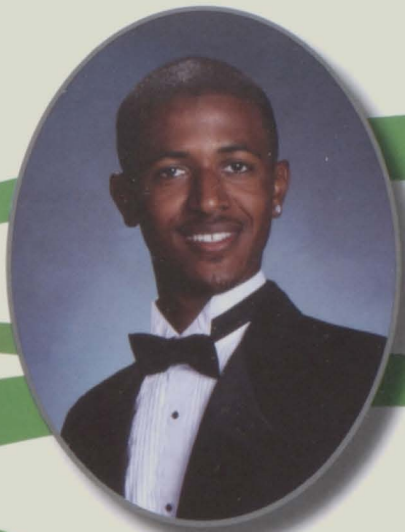


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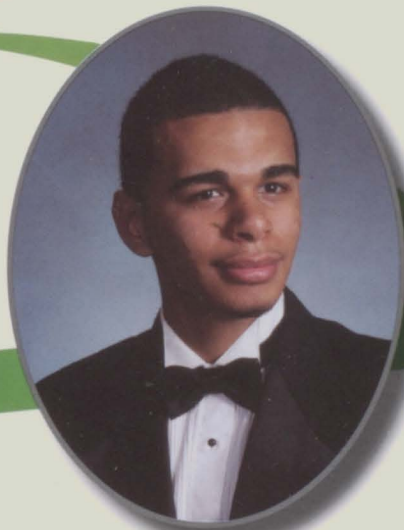
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**Juan Torres**  
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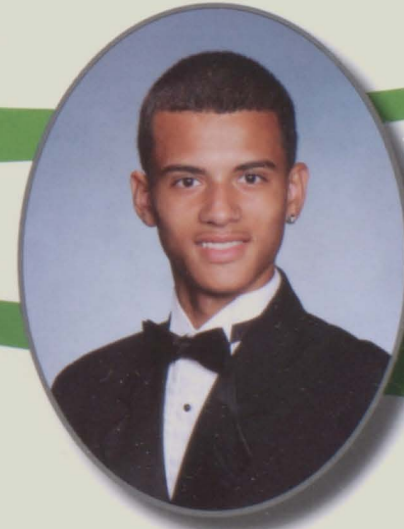
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**Jacelene Vega**  
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**Jasleen Vega**  
Instrumental



**Luis Vega**  
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Fine Arts



**Khajuaan Walker**  
Instrumental



**Kiante Walker**  
Fine Arts



**Imani Watts**  
Dance



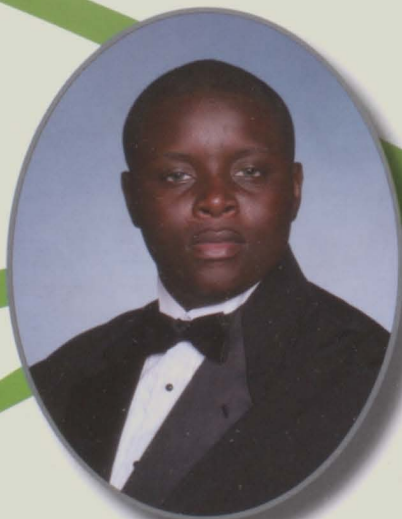
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**Brittany Williams**  
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**Ernest Williams**  
Fine Arts



**Lyna Williams**  
Vocal





**Shailauren Willis**  
Vocal



**Michelle Wilson**  
Vocal



**Shanelle Wilson**  
Instrumental



**Shala Woods**  
Television Communications



**Ester Zamora**  
Instrumental



In such a short time, and none of it to spare, homeroom is a time that we show we care. Fourteen minutes of everyday. Such a small time for what we have to say. Times that so fast went by. Times we miss and could never say good-bye!

# HOME ROOMS





# Seniors

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Aniko Bryant, Courtney Clarke, Luis Flores, Arlene Hernandez, Eileen Marengo, Alyce Muhammad, Wilmaries Munoz, Karina Rodriguez, Kasey Silva, Courtney Smith, Fabiola Tinoco, Shailauren Willis





Shamirah Brown, Kharissah Burney, Al-Rafiq Calder, Catherine Gomes, Jaynie Hernandez, Anthony Jacobs, Eric Jernigan



Latasia Elliott, Janell King, Karen Mandaleno, Diamond Maple, Niobe Molina, Jasmine Roberts, Tishonna Twitty, Imani Watts



019A



Marline Anozil, Xandra Barr, Brianna Edler-Strand, Crystal Germoso, Ruth Jorge, Jasmine Mans, Nicole Murphy, Nicole Simoes, Zakiyya White, Shala Woods

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Paolla Camargo, Asia Caudle, Fernando De Oliveira, Rhudson Fonseca, Lauren Grant, Jamaul Jerido, Matildelis Medina, Sebastian Rivera, Joaquim Santos, Jacelene Vega, Ester Zamora





Maryemma Gonzalez, Antwan Hollis, Lionel Mitchell, Amanda Pagan, Shamid Parker, Jasmine Rodriguez, Cynthia V...



Elizabeth Davila, A-La-Renee Davis, Nicole Herald, Tahnzayah Johnson, Shanee Murdaugh, Jessica Pereira, Malcolm Richardson, Quaniyah Smith, James Thompson



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Kiera Baker, Rasheed Brown, Christina Fonseca, Genese Gonzalez, India Henry, Trevor Johnson, Naseera Mayo, Kenyatta Murphy, Beenna Reddick, Victoria Reed, Micheal Rodriguez, Lyna Williams

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Sha'Ya Bell, Oscar Chaves, Benny Malave, Evander Nina, Trevor Powell, Kendell Spear, Lamont Terry, Khayriy Tilghman, Juan Torres, Jasleen Vega





Jeremy Alphonse, Marveina Bailey, Armani Campbell, William Frazier,  
Tanaja Gardner, Cynthia Julien, Naioby Osorio, Bianca Rivera



Devin Alexander, Racquel Alves, Isamar Aponte, Dwight Budhram, Christopher Camacho, Karon Clerk,  
Bruno Coelho, Rashad Cooper, Abigail Cordero, Yasmin DeJesus, Monica Dias, Marquise Payne





Taliah Barone, Lakeerah Battle, Shanique Durham, Alexis Gonzalez, Nytasia Harris, Amelia Marshall, Diana Orsorio, Aleem Petty, Jaquetta Stevenson-Johnson, Derrick Sweeney, Ebony Taylor, Shanelle Wilson



Christina Heirs, Phophet Kates, Julian Keene, Hazeez Lucas, Endia Marshall, Shay-La Maxwell, Alexandre Neto, Mark Oliveira, Nahum Purdie, Shalia Story, Charles Tavares, Ashley Tejada-Hernandez, Bianca Williams





Dan Ford, Devon Johnson, Cynthia Ladoano, Jennifer Lantiqua, Krystal Perez, Precious Powell, Jessica Santos, Jazzlyn Sierra, Kianté Walker, Ernest Williams



Christina Kearney, Deja Kelling, Victoria Middlebrooks, Iraika Montalvo, Tanyshwia Stokes, Monica Terrell, Khajuaan Walker



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Priscilla Gomez, Sharisse Johnson, Christopher Kolden, Tauan Longaretti, Malachi Mcgloun, Janay Mckoy, Hydriell Miller, Cesar Paucar, Cairo Price, Steven Simoes, Luis Vega, Daquwann Walker, Brittany Williams

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Javonna Bowers, Mary Bradshaw, Laura Cordoba, Ayana Crews, Aurelie Dienhoue, Shavonne Foster, Halimah Shabazz, Kevonah Singleton, Sabrina States, Genise Thomas, Michelle Wilson]..



# Juniors



Melique Anozil, Suzette A. Dorriellan, Ashley Fisher, Justin Hall, Keyona Leake, Hassan Martin, Khabira Muhammad, Ann L. Rogers, Fiorella Selios, Brandon Wadley Walker



Caroline Braga, Arielle Daniels, Jonathan Davis, Lucas DeMattos, Kayla Evans, Jacqueline Gomez, Ebony Logan, Crystal Lozada, Eric Ocsan, Dagoberto Orozco, Melissa Santiago, Leury A. Santos, Delvin Williams

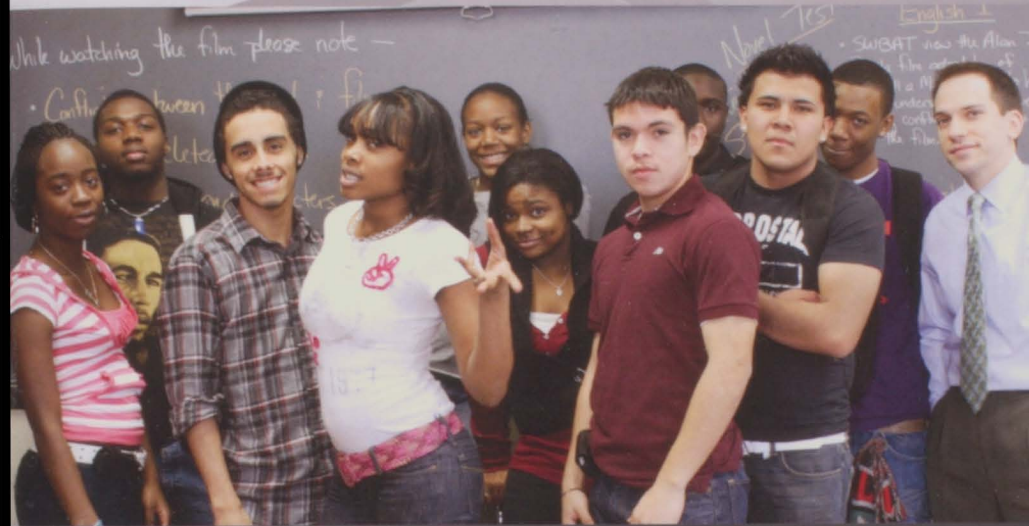


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Daron Barnes, Carlos M. Cabrera, Christina Eason, Omar S. Evans, Jasmiah J. Jasper, Anthony Lacoste, Charisma Massey, Oscar Mendez, Jessica Moras, Brandon Rodriguez, Tania Sousa, Mark J. Tonsul

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Julian Bruss, Jeffrey Edouard, Najee T. Esmond, Ruby Jenkins, Steve Kerr, Jasmin C. Matthews, Oscar Mejia, Onje Moore, Jose A. Ramos, Justin Rivera, Cyjerra Stephens, Mykelle Thomas

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Angie Carvajal, Thelia N. Dorvil, Bianca M. Figueroa, Aiesha Henry, Tiffany Jones, Cynthia Larrosa, Ashley Martinez, Mery A. Morocho, Sheira A. Perez, Sayyid N. Rios, Ceasar Silva





Corina E. Adorno, Ebondeja Colson, Julian Deleon, Dhafinne Fonseca, Yasmine Graham, Miata Lewis, Noemi Mangual, Richar Ruilova, Charlene Schoolfield



Rachel H. Biteng, Denise Brown, Franklin Enwere, Dominique Jones, Jazmin Juarez, Shareeda McCallum, Karina T. Rhodes, Cristal Rivera, Denise Rivera, Nadir Stevens, Pablo Tejada



Darrel Fields, Kenita A. Hopper, Qualeel Jones, Khalid Jordan, Fedlene Larose, Judissa M. Martinez, Safiyah Morgan, Diamon Muhammad- Lassiter, Jan Carlos Picot, Minerva Rodriguez, Carlos Trainor



# 409



Marel Y. Arocho, Jonathan Elliott, Jessie K. Fialla, Jamilla, Jackson, Walter Martinez, Katherine Moreno, Esher Rodriguez, Steven A. Soto, Harrison Tate, Victor Torres

# 205



Aliyah Akhtab, David Collins, Pamela Deempsey, Leela Ford, Ny'shon Green, Marcelo Leal, Rebecca Marte, Christopher Nettles, Melissa Pena, Robert Ruffin, Gianna Scott, Allen Thomas, Amirah Wallace, Grover A. Wright

# 206



Shamsuddin Abdul-Hamid, Fernanda Da Fonseca, Lawrence Dandridge, Randal S. Davis, Tiffany Lewis, Reginald Norris, Luisito A. Ortiz, Tyeshaa Webb, Kadar Williams, Shalana Williams



# Sophomores

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William Chapman, Sarah Christmas, Daishon Clanton, Edgar Glass, Shellyse Cline, Joseph Colson, Chantelle Curtis, Cristina Da Fonseca, Alaysha Daniels, Lucas De Jesus, Amanda Johnson

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Alexis Brown, Jose Gonzalez, Zahniyah Green, Jamier Hill, Lauren Hunter, Ashely Jimenez, Dontel Johnson, Joel Joly, Michael Kennedy, Terrayah King



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Asha Alexander, Tynetta Washington, Juan Balbuena, Saquanna Whitehead,  
Karemis Benitez, Aamin Williams, Crystal Clarke, Danielle Walker

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James Beals, Christopher Perez, Iyana Hinton, Kyshona Whitaker, Jaron McClendon,  
Vannessa Mitchell, Teirrah Neal, Ikea Chambers, Tiffany Maldonado

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Joseph Reyes, Dreyon Reynolds, Quaderah Richardson, Jabri Rios, Arif Riyad, Ivonne Rodriguez,  
Nyashia Rodriguez, Amirah Rogers, Thales Salgado, Yameline Sanchez- Castro

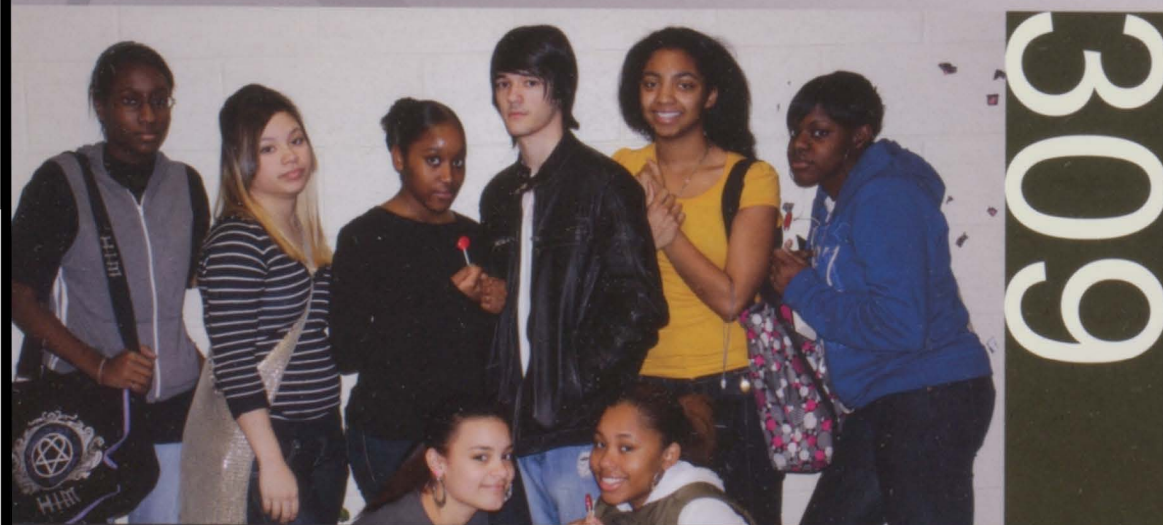




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Garrell Middleton, Ashely Torres, Angeliris Santiago, Yereni Segura, Joshua Simon, Vincent Sims, Roxanny Sosa, Philippe Soto, Sebastian Taco



Lena Howard, Brynae Riggins, Joyce Torres, Tatiana Torres, Simone Towe, Bryanna Trawick, Tayzia Treadwell Swann, Tiana Trevino, Everson Trinetta, Karla Velez, Ana Velez-Rojas



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Omozore Lebarty, Jayier Lopez, Bahlial Lott, Kiara Lovealce, Imani Lowery-Foreman, Melanie Maisonave, Ashley Marrero, Daniel Martinez, Katia Mateus, Victor Mateus, Amanda Matias

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Schuyler McCall, Nayadette Mendez, Kevin Montalvo, Asha Moore, Tiffany Moore, Beatrice Mosley, Patricia Munoz, Hassan Tompson

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Tawan Bunch, Shadaha Melvin, Mathew Cohen, Denisha Moye, Kiyana Thompson, Jamal White, James White, Jacquir Wooten, Quamaury Woulard, Dehjaun Owens





Ashley Nellom, Louis Osorio, Kevin Patterson, Gloriel Penick, Kierra Plummer, Sharell Preston, Tashawnah Reeves



Milagros Acosta, Kyrie Bearfield, Imani Alexander, Jamal Beck, Robin Andrews, Shayla Boyd, Ana Arias, Jerri Braswell, Yuritza Arroyo, Dillion Collins



Taques Brooks, Naomi Carvalho, Carlos Cales, Corina Castro, Natasha Carpio, Karolyn Castro, Debbie Carter, Ni Asia Carter



# Freshmen



Ishawd Watson, Elda White, Keryn Jarel Williams, Tyzod Williams, Victor Williams Jr., Aundre Wilson, Tierra Wimberly, Romell Wright, Julian Yates, Joao Zago, Priscilla Zambrano



Cristina Montanez, Rysia Montgomery-Marsh, Ratasha Morse, Michelle Mosquera, Ebrima N' Dure, Michael Negron, Sophia Nelson Garcia, Carlos Nieves, Jasmine Nieves, Ana Rita Nogueira





Aniyyah Ellis, Jahad English, Daiana Familia, Willimina Farrar, Shantel Finkley, Brionna Flowers, Brian Fonseca, Phellip Fonseca, Omar Fontaine, Brynissa Francis, Shari Franklin, Crystal Garcia, Yasir Gibbs, Makeba Green



KarenLeon, Fransheska Lorenzo, Dulce Luna, Jonathan Maldonado, Grecia Marte, Francisco Martinez, Joel Martinez, Larissa Martinez, Maria Mc Allister, Rashon McNair, Diane McRae, Kasandra Mendez, Daquana Omeally



Robert Cabrera, Shannan Calloway, Christian Carlo, Amire Carter, Jazmyne Catching, Justin Charles, Phantasisha Cheatham, Alex Coggins, Andre Coley, Robert Collier, Peter Collins, Sergio Colon, Becky Cordero, Pierre Corielan



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Major Teachers



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Jeffrey Costa, Heriberto Cruz, Jose Carlos Cruz, Hakeem Cunningham, Tayteeona Cureton, Ebony Cuttino, Sydonia Daniels, Shaheed Davis, Stephanie De Jesus, Ezequiel DeLeon, Yaritza Diaz, Amanda Dominguez, Nytesha Dortch, Elslaine Dos Santos

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Edward Griffith, Cindy Gualpa, Edward Guzman, Christian Haber, Malissa Hanson, Rajeeayah Hayes, Clarissa Hernandez, Israel Hernandez, Judith Hernandez, Jessaca Holmes, Daisy Hooks, Kali Hudson





Xanthe Orama, Brenda Ortiz, Celestes Ortiz, Zahir Outen, Cashonda Pamplin, Bria Peace, Jonathan Pelegrini, Nathalie Pena, Whitney Perez, Ana Carolina Populim, Dyeemah Porter, Sabrena Ray, Anthony Resendes



Arletti Roberts, Latasha Robinson, Margarita Rodriguez, Tatiana Romero, Naomi Russell, Mike Santos, Amina Samuel, Jahad Sanders, Felix Santiago, Robert Santos, Shamar Scales, Jordaan Scott, Ariela Silva



Darius Slade, Elizabeth Smith, Hakimah Solomon, Shakill Springer, Jonathan Torres, Massiel Torres, Leonel Valerio, Rony Vallejo, Amanda Vazquez, Mike Vega, Ismael Velez, Ajee Walker, Shakeera Walker, Ashley Walker-Koonce



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Jorgina Kernizan, Jamiyl Kinchen, Bre-Annah King-Cowherd, Shaquille Kornegay, Aniya Lampley, Elizabeth Leger



# Halloween

Only once a year do we dress up in ridiculous outfits and receive candy; but at Arts High, Halloween is a day that is celebrated with more enthusiasm than any other holiday of the year. There isn't much candy given during school but the costumes exhibit the rare creativity that is taught to be expressed.



Clockwise: Shanelle Willson, Ms. Wallace, Bianca Rivera, Cynthia Vargas, Bianca Rivera, Karina Rodriguez



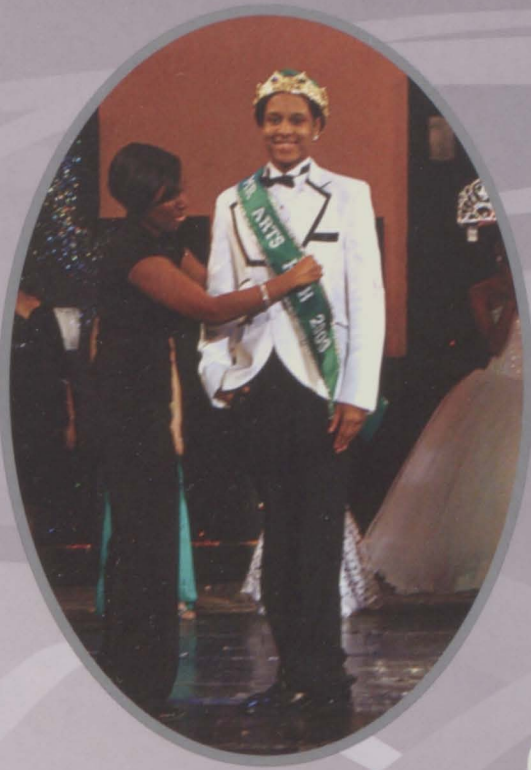




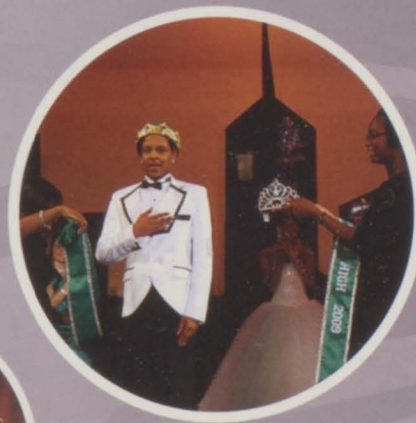
# 1st *Arts High* PAGEANT

In January, we introduced the first Mr. and Miss Arts High School Pageant. It was a wonderful evening full of grace, excitement and talent. The event was Produced and Directed by Ruth Jorge and Brianna Edler-Strand. Ms. Kalilah Goins and senior Eric Jernigan hosted the event and kept the crowd pumped. Contestants included juniors Kenita Hopper, Diamommique Lassiter, Cristal Rivera, Ann Marie Perez, Mark Tonsul, Randal Davis and seniors Tishonna Twitty, Karina Rodriguez, Naseera Mayo, Anthony Jacobs and Al-Rafiq Calder. In the end, Anothony Jacobs and Kenita Hopper were proclaimed prince and princess while Randal Davis and Tishonna Twitty were crowned Mr. and Miss Arts High. With the help of the Pageant Committee along with the Senior Class advisors this was one unforgettable event that will continue on throughout the future of Arts High School. Special recognition to Junior Tyesha Webb, we wish her a speedy recovery.





# Mr. & Miss Arts High



Top: Randal Davis & Tishonna Twitty Lower left to right: Ms. Goins & Eric Jerningan, Ann Marie Perez, Mark Twain, Randal Davis & Ruth Jorge, Randal Davis



# *Arts High* **PAGEANT**

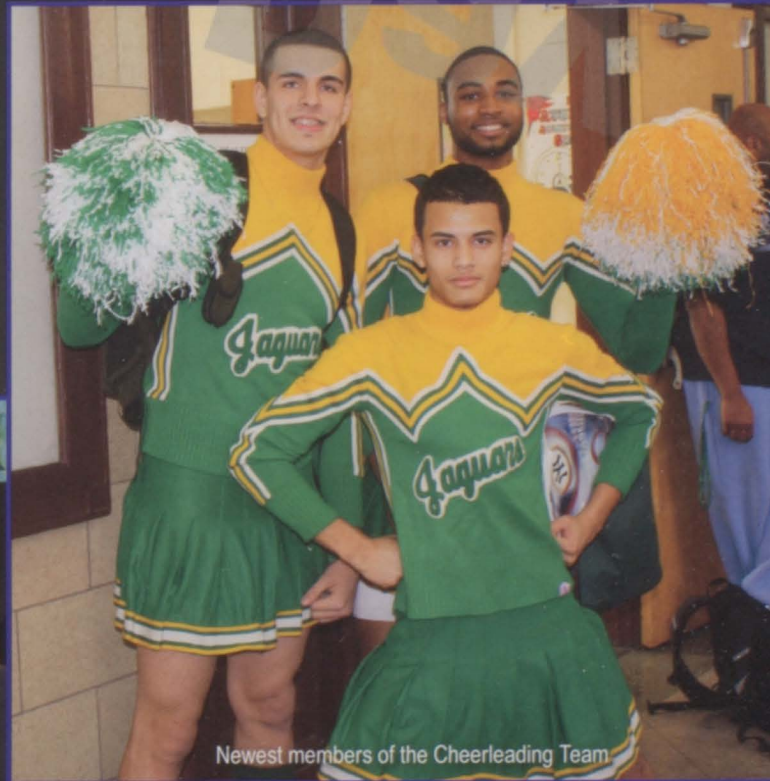


Top to Bottom: Anthony Jacobs, Eric Jernigan & Brianna Edler-Strand, Ann Marie Perez, Mark Tonsul, Tishonna Twitty, Randal Davis & Tishonna Twitty



# Switch Day

Switch Day is an annual event at Arts High School. All the students use their creativity to transform themselves into the opposite gender. A day when boys become girls and girls become boys!



Newest members of the Cheerleading Team



Hard Times







During my time...

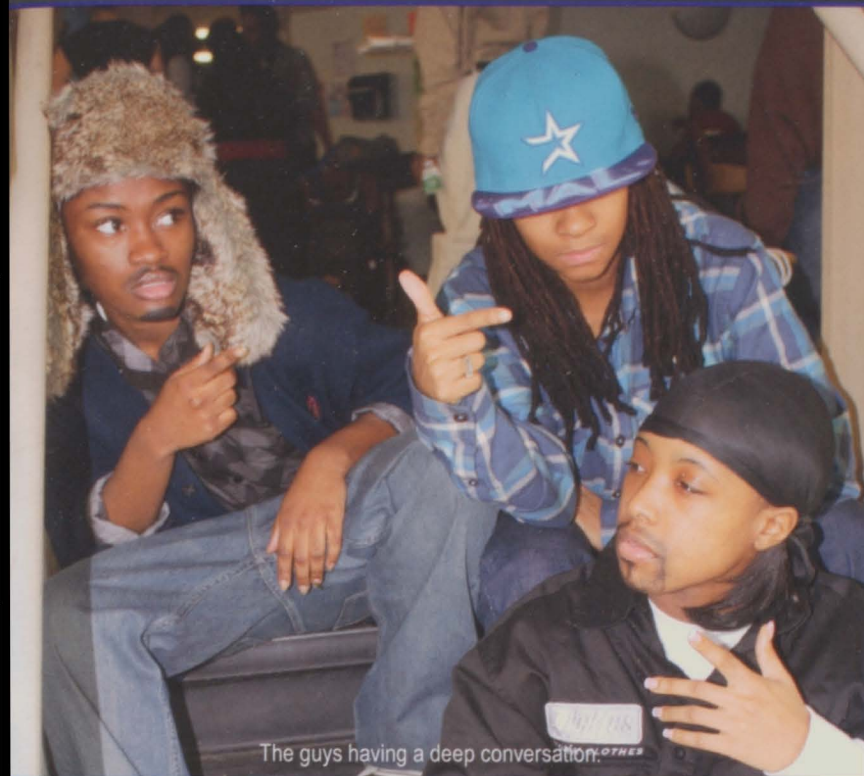


Heyyyyy!



You talkin' to me??





The guys having a deep conversation.



No You just didn't say that!



It's getting hot in here.



Looking Fabulous!!!



# PAJAMA DAY

Shhh!!!...Don't say a word... It's pajama Day! An annual tradition for all seniors to dress up in their night wear and their fuzziest slippers on this particular day. Our jaguars show their true colors in their night wear, and people don't even know the half of it! Hope you aren't taking a nap in your classes, while dressed in your dreamy pj's! Sweet dreams, Seniors!!!



Bianca Williams & Michael Rodriguez



Khassondra Freeman, Tahnzayah Johnson & Quanyiah Smith



Marline Anozir



Tahnzayah Johnson & A-la Renee Davis

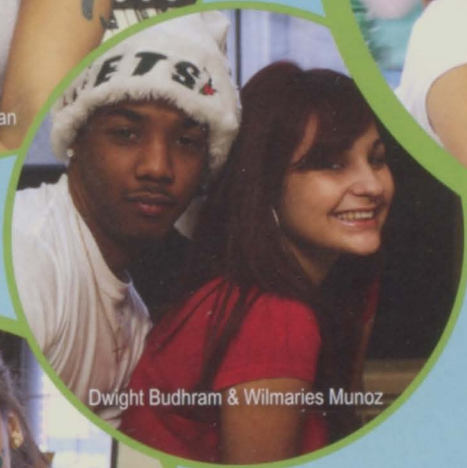




Khassondra Freeman



Naseera Mayo, India Henry & Kenya Murphy



Dwight Budhram & Wilmaries Munoz



Tahnzayah Johnson



Lyna Williams



Trevor Johnson, Naseera Mayo, Elizabeth Davila







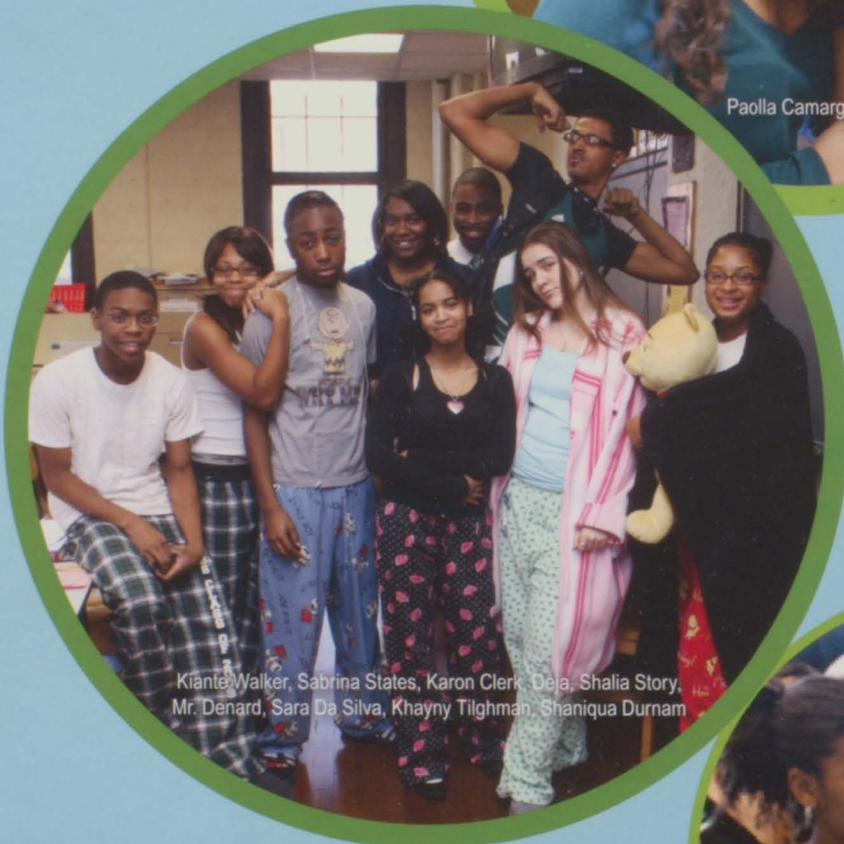
Cynthia Julien, Bianca Rivera & Marveina Barley



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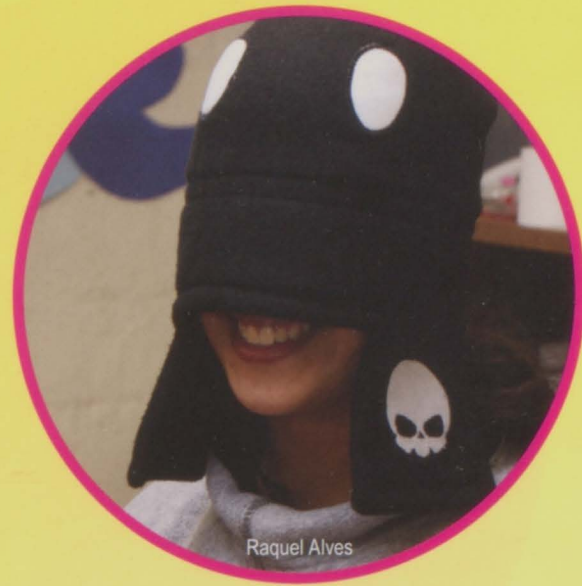


Jennifer Lantigua



# Crazy Hat Day

What's that? A hat. Crazy, funky, junky, hat! Overslept, hair unsightly trying to look like Kiera Kngightley. We've Been there! We've done that! We see right through your funky hat; although hats are band during school hours we at Arts High School have created a day. Crazy Hat Day. A day when your allowed to wear your craziest hat all day.



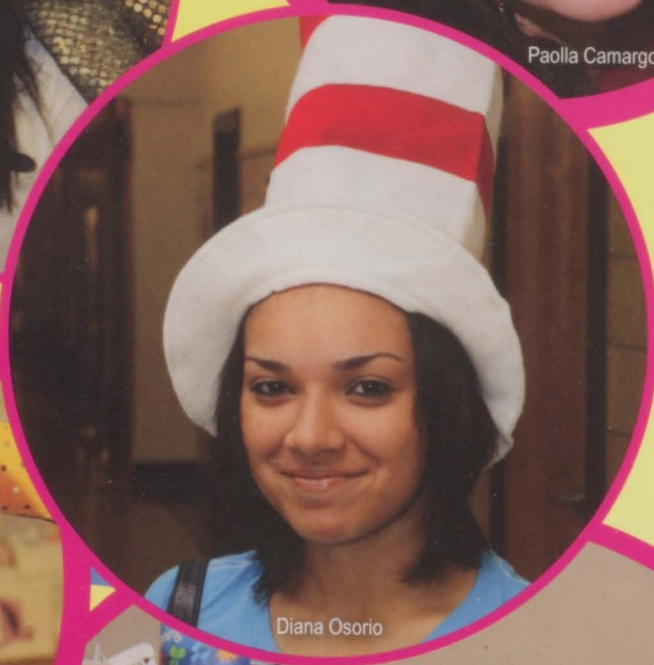




Mr. Gonzales & Fabiola Tenoco



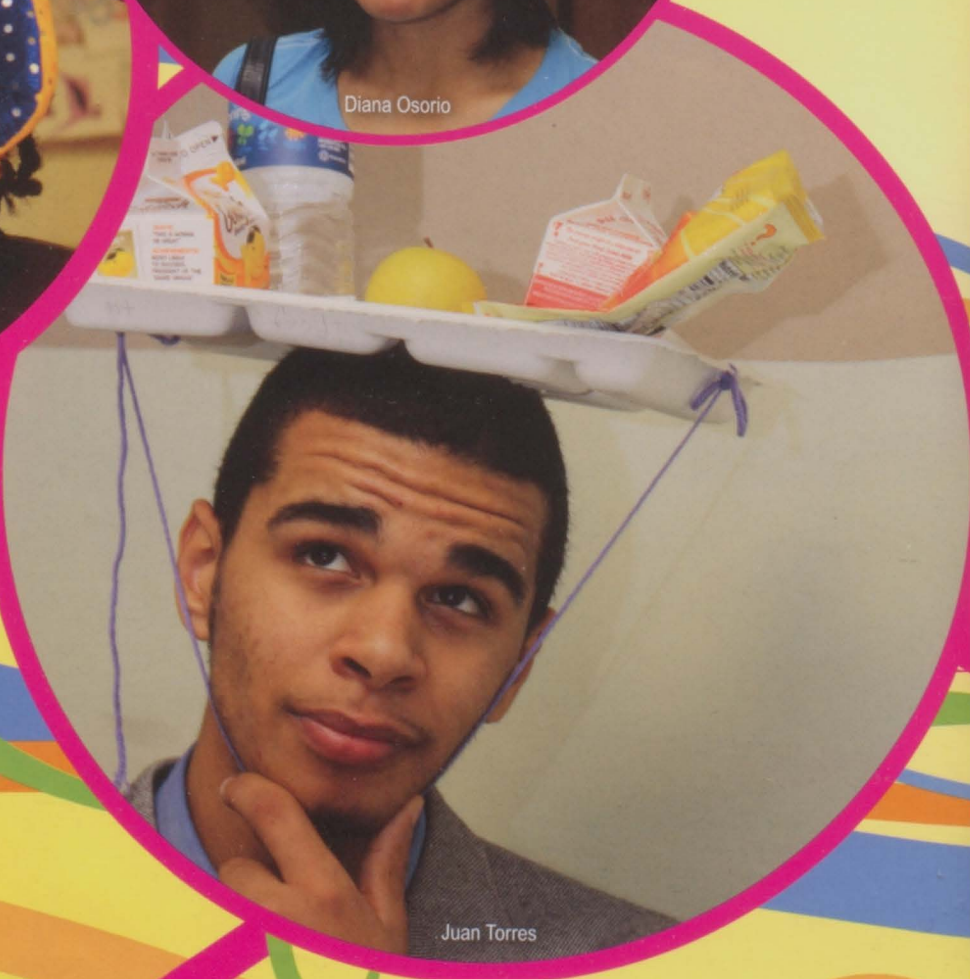
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Aniko Bryant

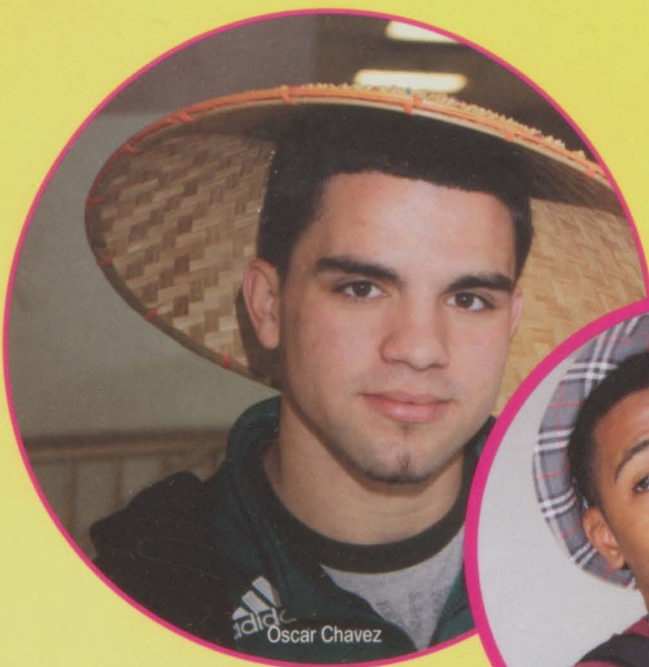


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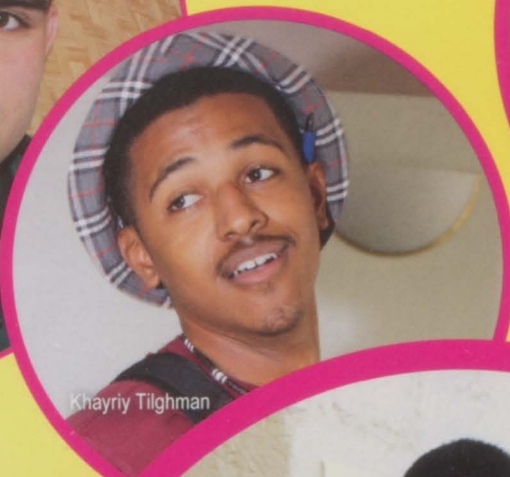


Luis Vega





Oscar Chavez



Khayriy Tilghman



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Mrs. Ranieri & Mr. Richardson



Amelia Marshall



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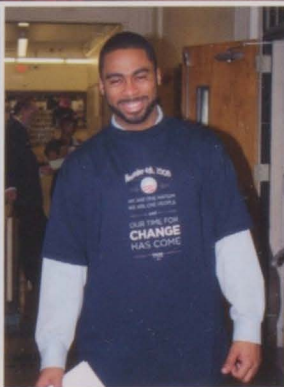
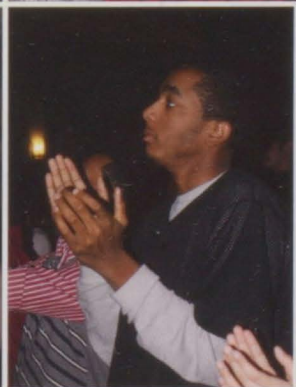


# Inauguration Day

On January 20<sup>th</sup>, Inauguration Day, one of the most historical event in all of America's history, Arts High School decided to take time out of regular duties to celebrate the achievements of one man. The Arts High family came together to watch and honor the Inauguration of President Barack Obama. It all started with a musical performance from our concert band, then it ended with the cheering, excitement and joy of the students and staff. This day marked new beginnings for the whole student body. A new beginning for this great nation!

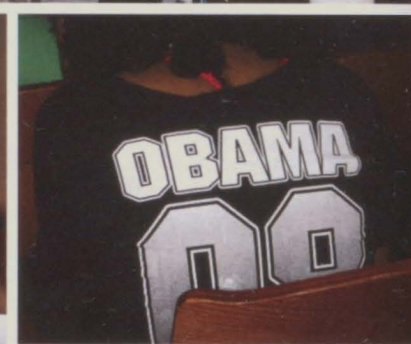
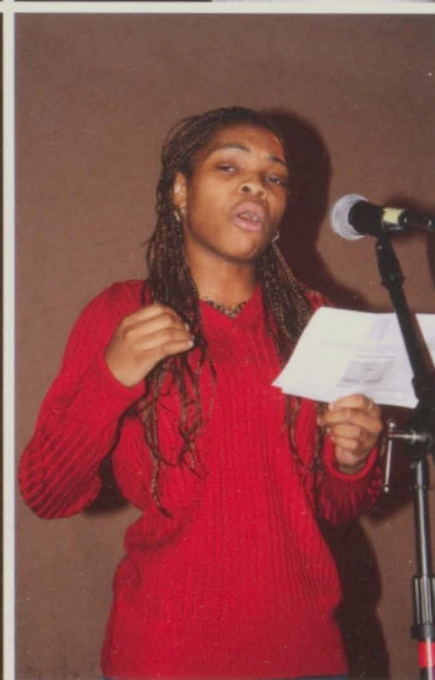
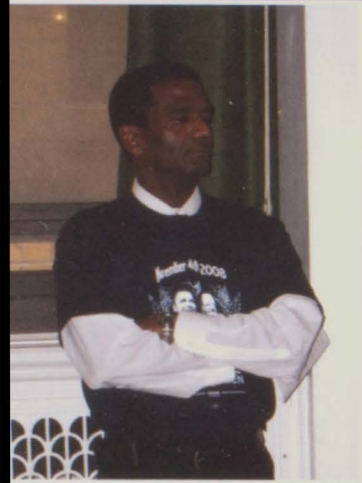






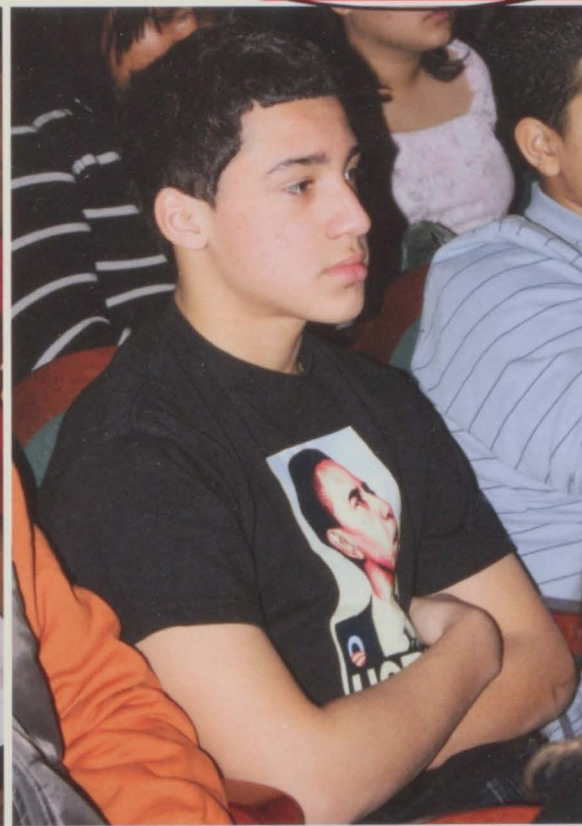


# Inauguration Day





# at Arts High







ARTS HIGH SCHOOL

# Class of





2009



# TWIN DAY



Jessica & Monica

Ever wish you had a twin? Well twin day 09 was the day to make that wish come true. Whether it was dressing alike, wearing the same colors, being multiples, or being Ompa Loompas, this was the time to grab your best buds and show out. This year, twin day was about more than just looking the same. It was about making a statement on everlasting friendships, and at the day, that's what it's all about.



Aileen & Nioby

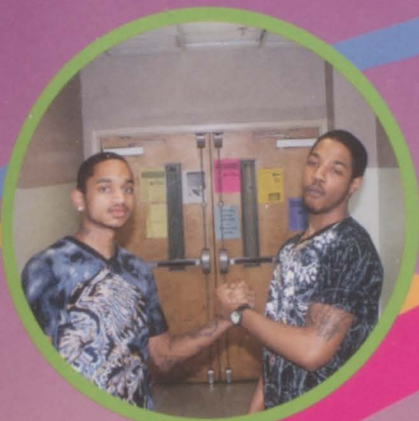


Lauren & Victoria



Catherine, Fabloa and Nicole





Christopher & Dwight



Quanyiah & Kevonah



Asia, Shayla and Kiera



Karen & Janel



Jennifer & Nicole



# CELEBRITY DAY



On the couch with Rihanna



Her name is GaGa. Did you get it?

106 and Arts was a sensation! It had great performers who know how to exhibit their talents. Celebrity Day demonstrated the talents of all of the majors. The customs projected the creativity of the senior class. We worked day and night to make this day a huge success. A special thanks to Zakiyya White for being an outstanding director of this event. We would also like to thank all the senior advisors for all of their support.



Will I AM Frazier



Marline Anozil





Is one thing



Rocking the mic with Jazmine Sullivan.



I am to fly



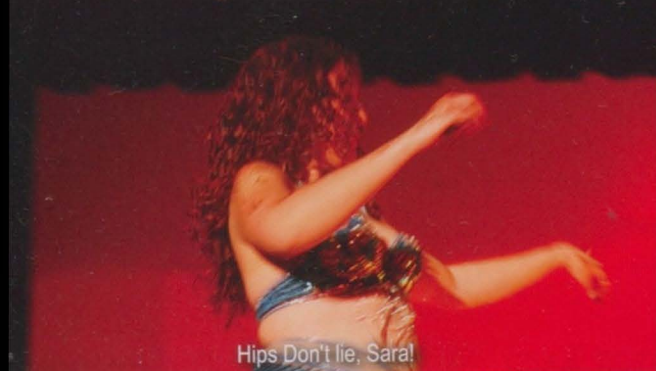
You're hot than you're cold



No one got swagga like moi



To hot to handle



Hips Don't lie, Sara!



You turning me on



# Students VS Staff Basketball GAME

OPTIMUM WIDTH 50 FT INSIDE LINES

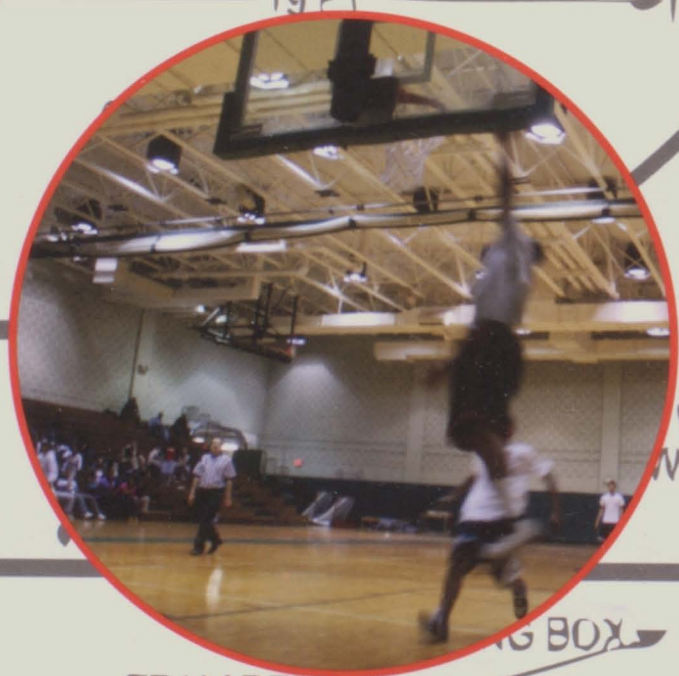
THREE POINT LINE

DIVISION LINE

On the hallowed grounds of Arts High School thru the mist of the fog, the faculty rose to the challenge by the senior class. The seniors thought this was their year, the year to make up for all the past classes defeats. As in the Chinese culture this is the year of the OX and the faculty showed those young men and women how an ox works. An ox is a beastly animal used to plow the fields, just as the faculty did to the students. We plowed through all adversity to uphold our undefeated record. Like always the faculty has the eye of tiger locked onto the class of 2010.



Good pass "PK"



TEAM BENCH AREA

2 IN WIDE BY 3 FT DEEP AND 3 FT EXTENDED ONTO COURT

Drill for ???...

SCORE

12 FT

6 FT

72 IN

63 IN

18 FT 10 IN

19 FT

2 IN LINE

19 FT 9 IN RADIUS TO OUTSIDE OF THREE POINT LINE

94 FT WIDE (NEUTRAL)

KEY BOX

CENTER CIRCLE





"Trying" to get back on D



Great block by Mr. R!!!

6 FT RADIUS  
OUTSIDE

2 IN WIDE BY  
8 IN DEEP

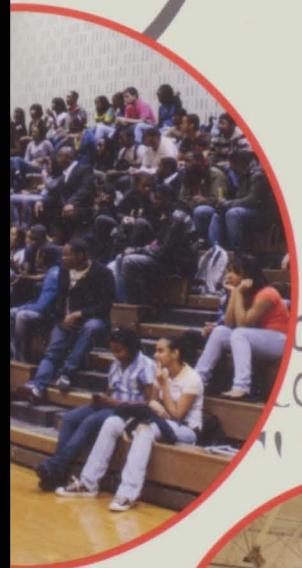
7 FT



Nothing but net!



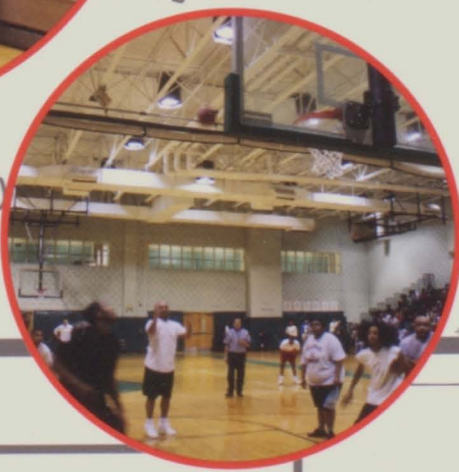
Nice move!!



LOGO OR NCAA  
LOGO IS REQUIRED  
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4 FT



Crunch time!

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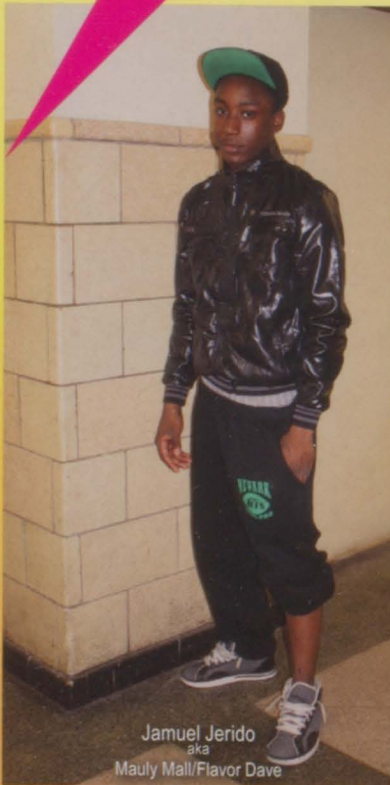
COURTSIDE (APPROXIMATELY 10 FEET FROM THE BOUNDARY LINES)  
TEAM BENCH

They never seem to lose



# Flashback Day

Flashback Day was a success. The Class of "09" dressed to impress. We went back in the time. It was a pleasure to see and enjoy the ideas everyone had. People really stepped up their game this year. Flashback represented everyone coming together and expressing that style doesn't have a one time period. Thanks to all the seniors who participated. The Class of "09" is lavish...



Jamuel Jerido  
aka  
Maully Mall/Flavor Dave



Nicole Simoes, Catherine Gomes, Cynthia Vargas, Amanda Pagan, Elizabeth Davila, Jaynie Hernandez & Naobi Molina

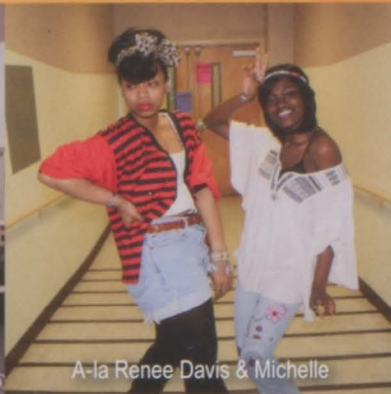




Paolla Camargo



Shamirah & Imani



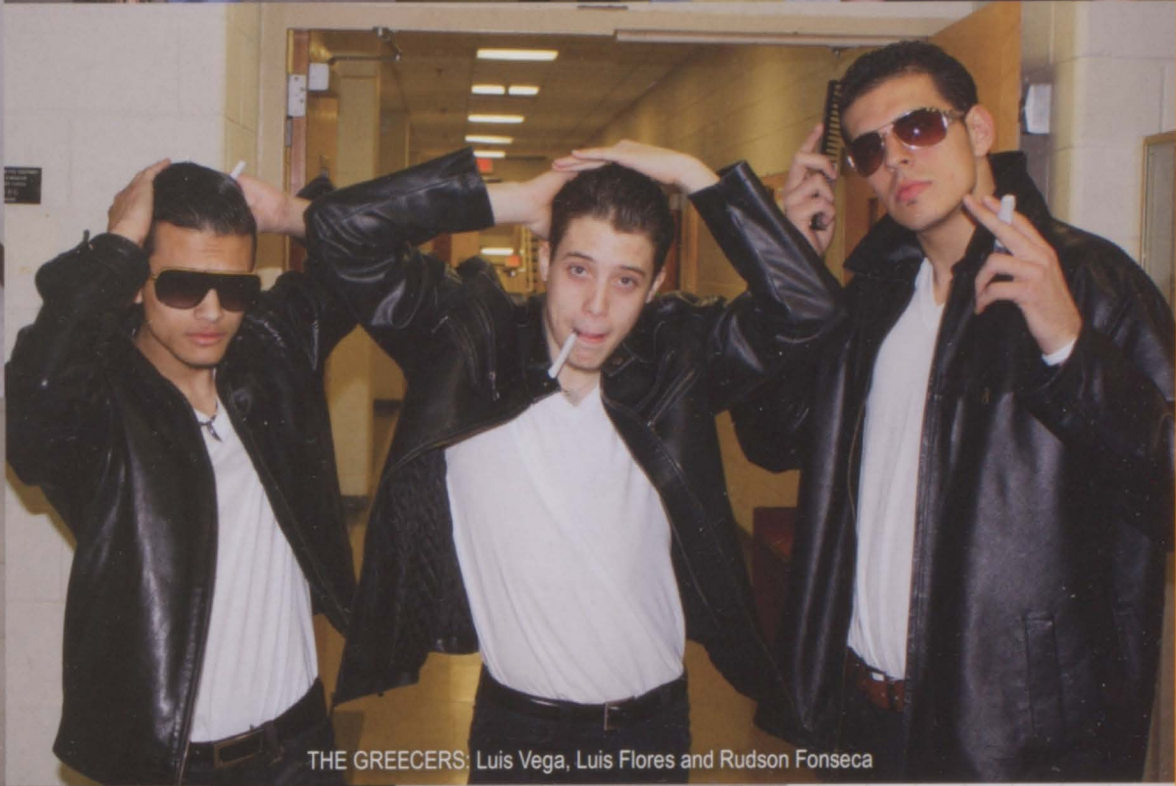
A-la Renee Davis & Michelle



Kenyatta



Isnyshwia Stokes



THE GREECERS: Luis Vega, Luis Flores and Rudson Fonseca



Khassondra



Kiara



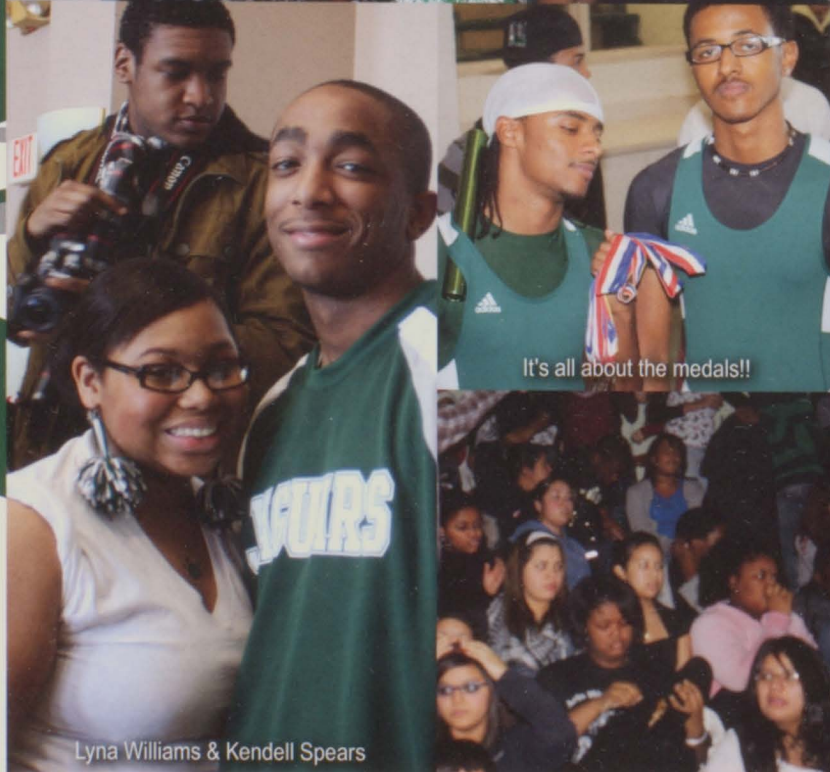


# Pep Rally

Let's go Jaguars, let's go! School spirit, motivation and tons of fun are the ingredients to get the rally going. This is a time to come together to represent Arts High, your class, your major and even your sport, club or committee. Seniors made their grand entrance for their last time.



Lets go JAGUARS!!!

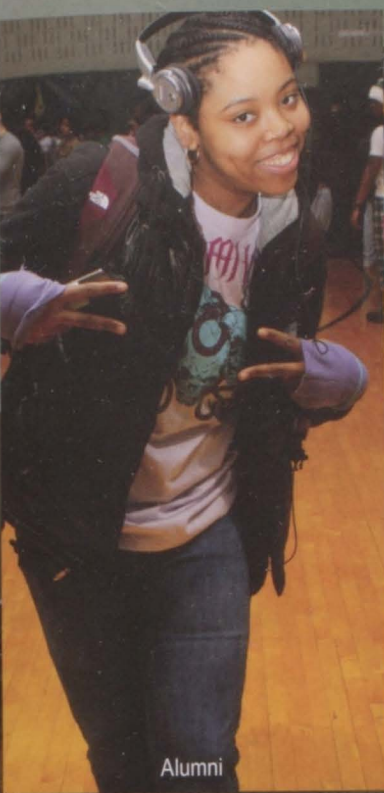


Lyna Williams & Kendell Spears

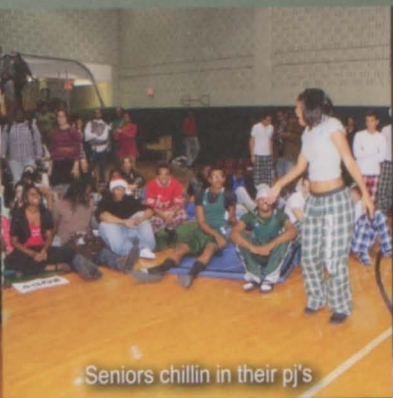


Amp'd and ready to go!!

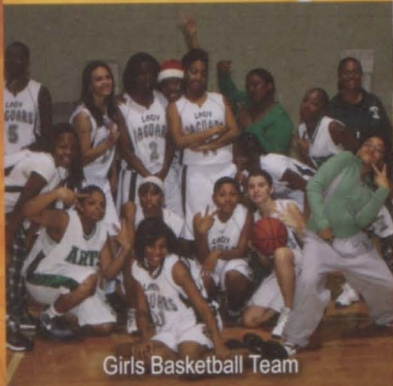




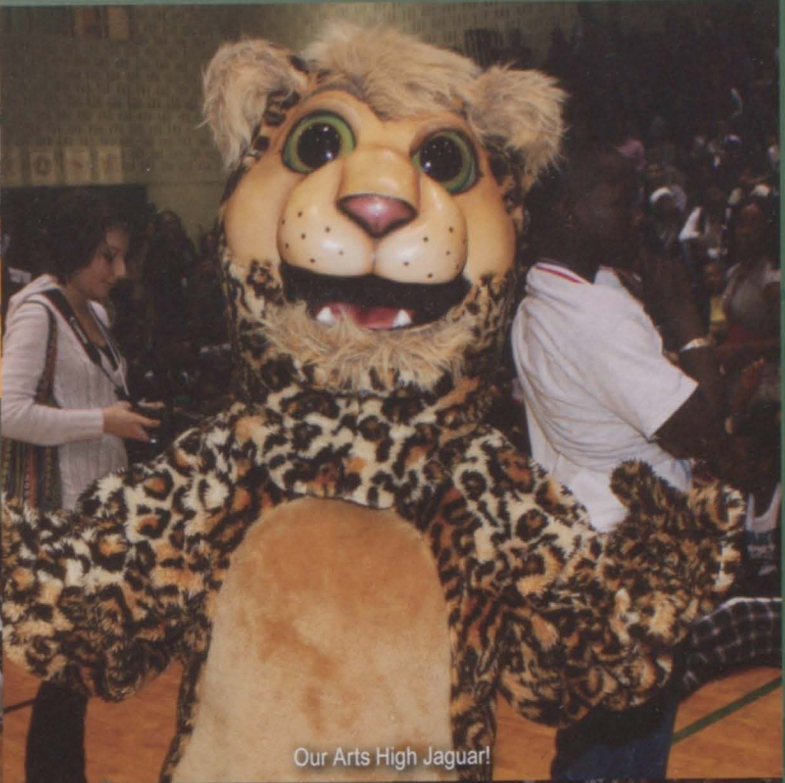
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Seniors chillin in their pj's



Girls Basketball Team



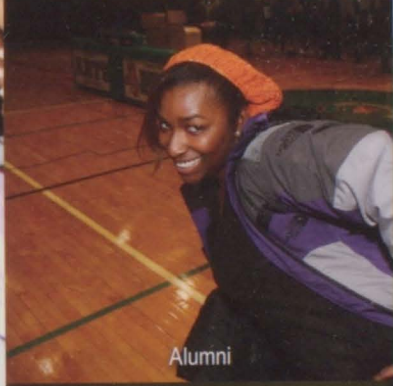
Our Arts High Jaguar!



Rendition with another wonderful performance!



Go ARTS HIGH!!!!



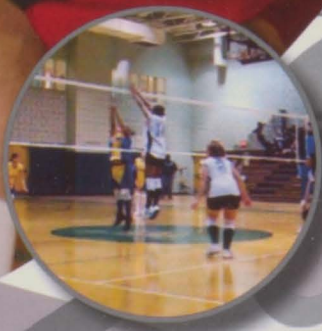
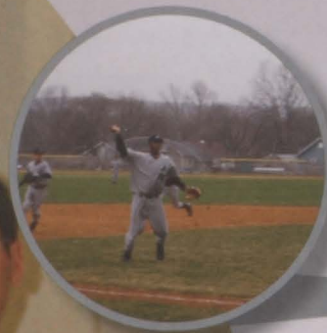
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# SPORTS

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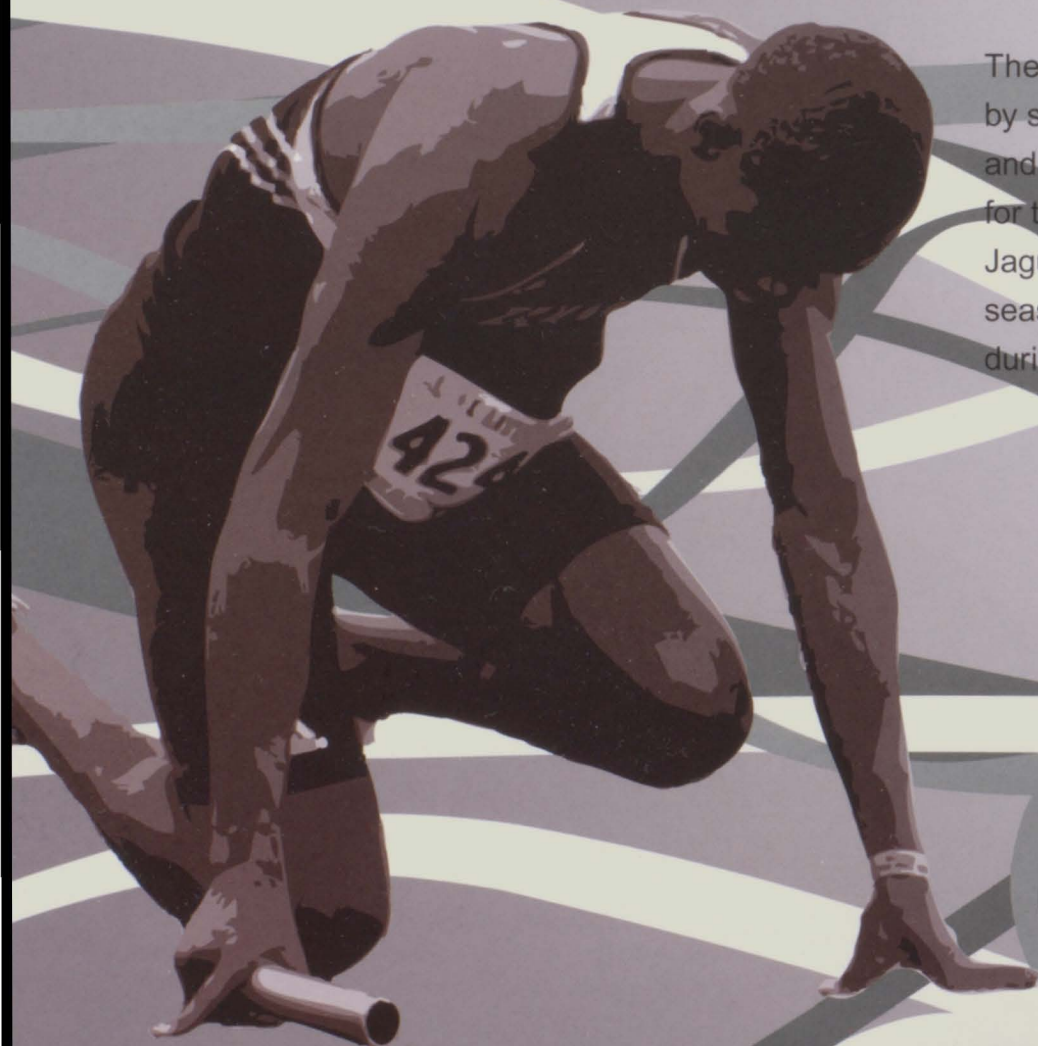


# Cross Country

The Cross Country team was led by senior Ravon Middlebrooks. He led the team at the city, county, and state meets. On the girl's side, Junior Tiffany Lewis led the lady jaguar to a city cross country championship. Tiffany was assisted by teammates Malissa Hanson, Xanthe Orama, Whitney Perez, and Ashley Walker. Look for them to defend their title next year!



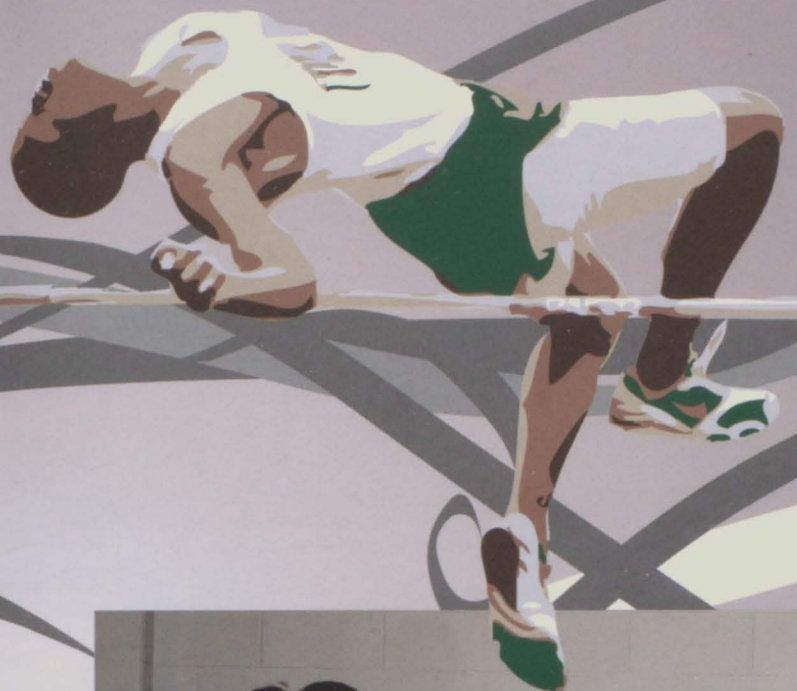
# Indoor Track



The indoor track and field team was led by seniors Shamid Parker, Khariy Tillhman, and junior Hassan Martin. All three qualified for the state championship meet. The lady Jaguars had a challenging, but productive season. They are expected to improve during the spring.



# Outdoor Track



The outdoor track and field team will begin this April. We are looking forward to a promising season on both teams. We have a lot of new talent. Look for us at the championship meets!





# Soccer

This was the best soccer year at Arts High School history. Arts High achieved its first ever NJSIAA tournament bid in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 1, and were seeded fourth. Arts opened its season with a 3-0 loss to Secaucus, then rebounded four days later with a 5-4 decision over Bloomfield Tech.

First year Head Coach Lopes and first year Assistant Coach Kempfe's squad then reeled off 11 victories in its next 12 games to qualify for its first NJSIAA playoff appearance and also achieve its best-ever record at 12-6. Junior midfielder Julian Bruss sparked the offense with 14 goals and 11 assists while senior sweeper Oscar Chaves and junior goalie Steven Soto anchored the defense. Arts lost to Whippany Park to a score of 2-1 during a competitive game on the second round of the NJSIAA tournament. In addition, Arts made it to the semi-finals in the Newark Public Schools' soccer tournament, and the team had a 2.94 scoring average over the 18 games played which is the school's best. The team was fueled with the efforts of seven seniors: Oscar Chaves, Joaquim Santos, Luis Florez, Cesar Paucar, Fernando DeOliveira, Tauan Longaretti, and Luis Vega. Arts ended with a 12-6 record for the season, the best in school's history.

## Individual accomplishments/recognitions:

All Newark Team: Julian Bruss & Oscar Chaves

All State-Group 1(third team) Julian Bruss







Ms. Kempfe, Mr. Waldren, Steven Soto, Luis Florez, Oscar Chaves, Jose Cruz, Cesar Paucar, Julian Bruss, Franklin Enwere, Fernando De Oliveria, Tauan Longaretti, Edgar Class, Luis Vega, Angie Carvajal, Fiorella Selios, Rony Vallejo, Eric Ocsan, Juan Balbuena, Jose Ramos, Oscar Mejia, Joaquim Santos, Anthony Resendes, Richar Ruilova, Dagoberto Orozco, Mr. Lopes



Victory versus West Side High School



Ms. Kempfe, Joaquim Santos, Fernando De Oliveria, Tauan Longaretti, Oscar Chaves, Luis Vega, Luis Florez, Cesar Paucar, Mr. Lopes



Fernando De Oliveria, Cesar Paucar, Edgar Class and Julian Bruss look on



# Girls Basketball

The 2008-2009 Lady Jaguars record of 5-15 definitely didn't reflect the effort of the team nor the seasoning they received. This year's incarnation of the Lady Jags sorely missed the leadership of the previous teams 5 senior members. This year the team was lead capably by Senior captain Asia Caudle. The team was fortunate to also have the help of strong seniors Shayla Woods and Armani Campbell. Asia's on court efforts garnered a Star- Ledger recognition as an All-Newark Team member. She exploded for the fourth highest point total in the city during the Newark Public School's Christmas Tournament. Asia dropped 29 points against Barringer High School. The future is bright at Arts! Not only did we have a senior recognized as a standout but a freshman also. Sydonia Daniels, class of 2012, was named to the freshman to watch list by the Star Ledger. What a nice way for our team to say goodbye to coach of 11 season's, Coach Howard (Class of '81). He leaves the program in the capable hands of long time assistant, Ms. Ray-Quell Cotton! Go "Lady Jags"!



Before every game the Lady Jags get rowdy. Matter of fact, that's an under statement, they get INSANE!!!

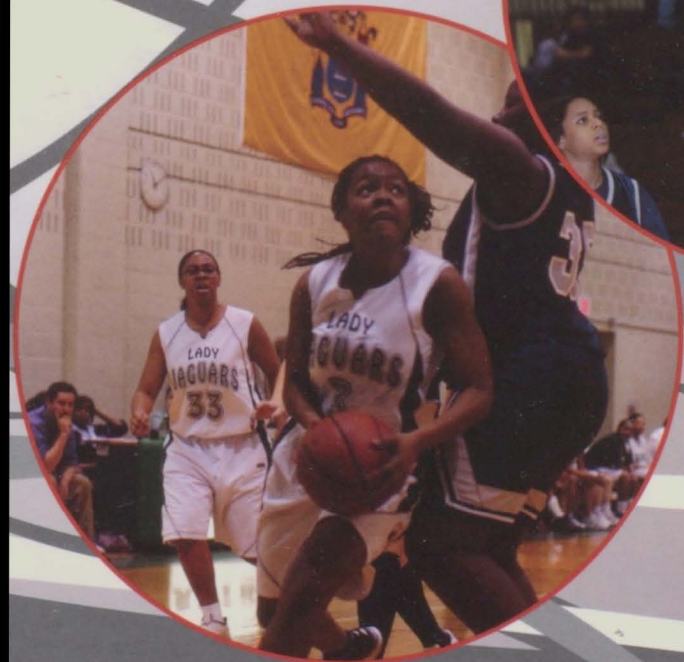




There's a promising future  
for the Lady Jags!



...And she scores



Woods has the heart of a lion or should I say a "Jaguar"!



Asia's a go-getter



# Boys Basketball



PK scored 1,093 point in four years

The beginning of the season looked very promising. But as things would be we just could not get over the hump. On paper the season was a wash but we were much better than our record showed. Team work was emphasized and sometimes it becomes difficult for the students to concentrate on the court with the added pressure of school work, their chosen major and the demands, and to be a athlete as well . The students at times were very competitive in the later stages of the games when we needed it from the start as well as the end.



Kit-Kat for 3!





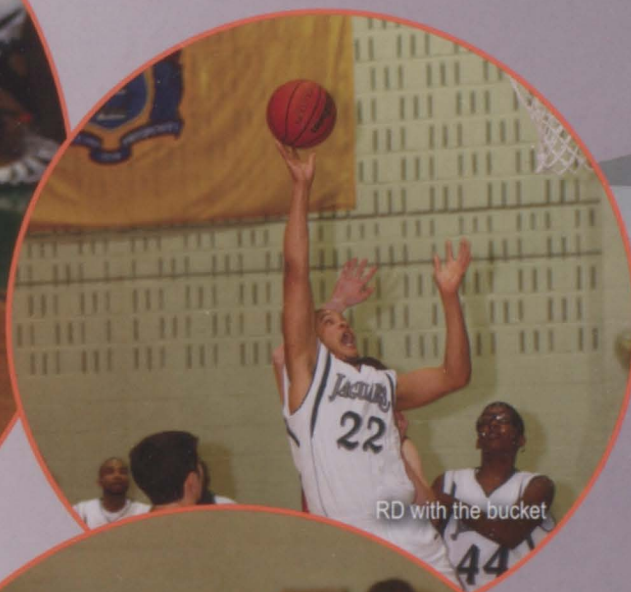
This boy is too fast!



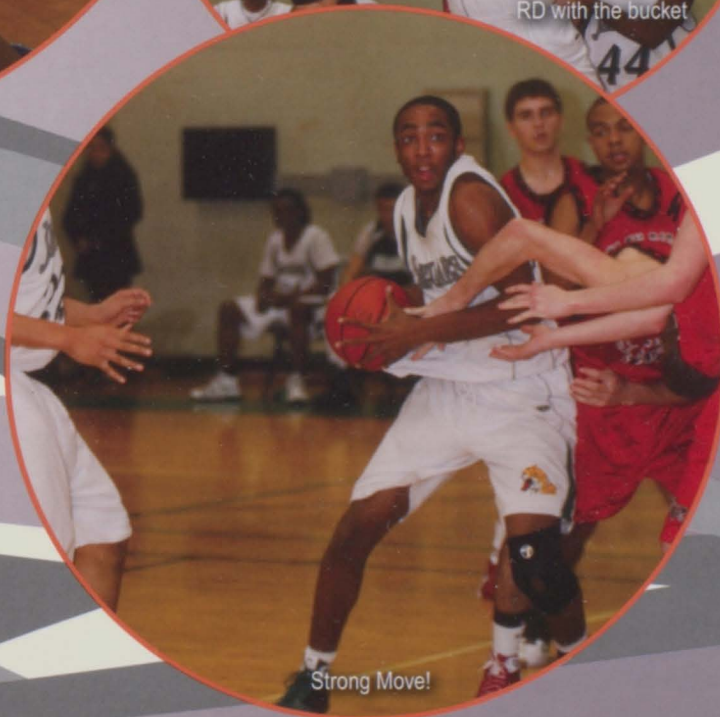
HUD with the jump shot



Drill with the nice move



RD with the bucket

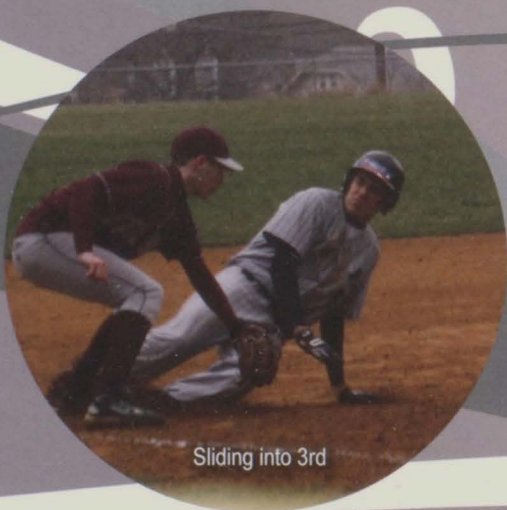


Strong Move!

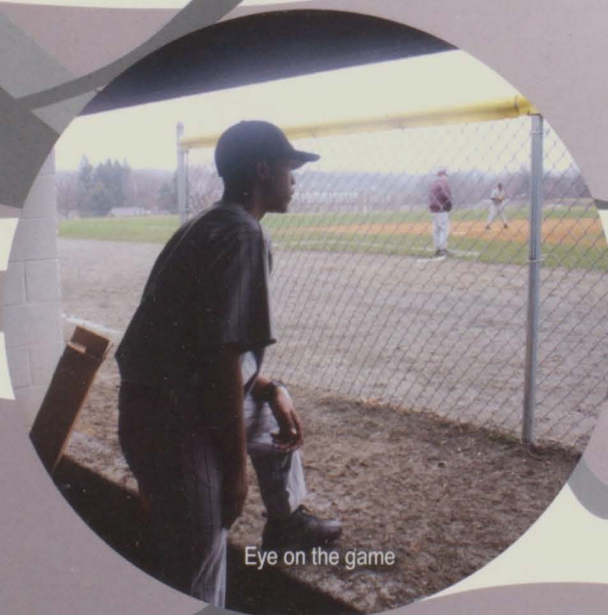


# Baseball

It is going to be a promising season for the Arts High Jaguars Baseball Team. The team is led by seniors: Dwight Budhram, Luis Flores, Rhudson Fonseca, Alexis Gonzalez, Benny Malave, Evander Nina, Cesar Paucar, Kendell Spear and Luis Vega. Along with these seniors, the Arts High Baseball Team features many more talented and upcoming underclassmen. Only time will tell how great this team is going to be. One thing is for certain, this team is full of skillful players, who have heart and long for the feeling of victory.



Sliding into 3rd

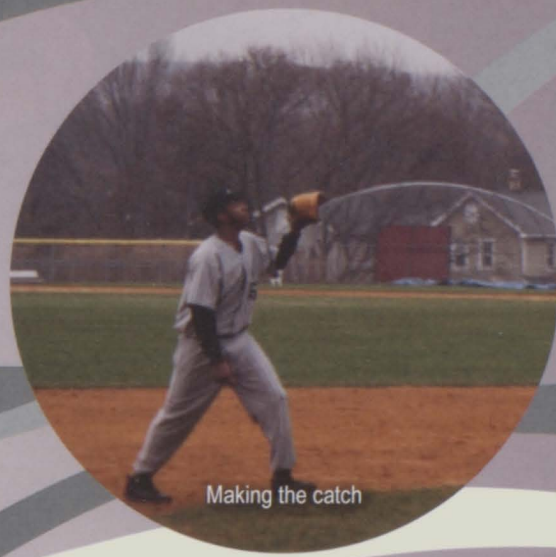


Eye on the game

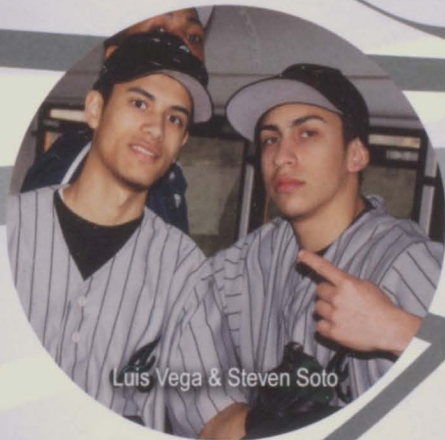




Line drive!!



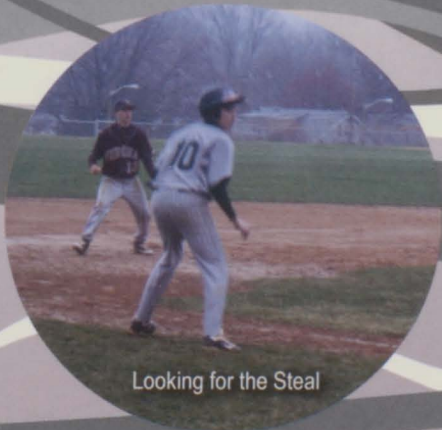
Making the catch



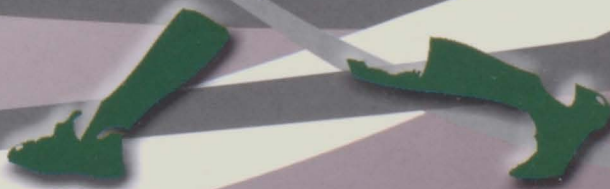
Luis Vega & Steven Soto



Throwing some heat!



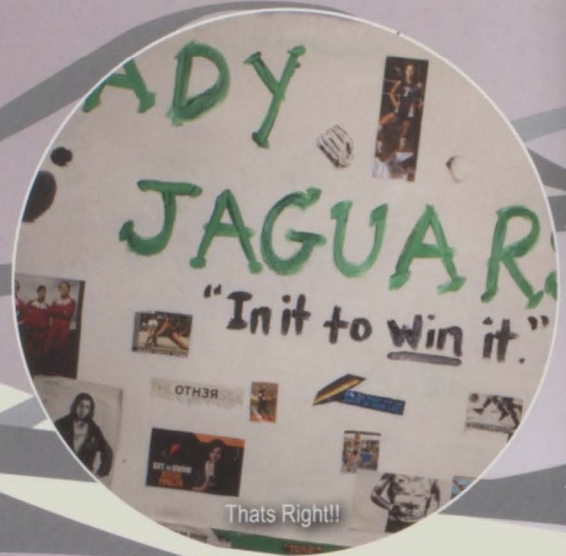
Looking for the Steal







# Softball



Angie Carvajal, Corina Castro, Fernanda Da Fonseca, Stephanie Escalante, Bianca Figueroa, Maryemma Gonzalez (captain), Ashly Jimenez, Cynthia Ladoano, Crystal Lozada (captain), Janay Mckoy, Melissa Pena, Sheira Perez, Ana Carolina Populim, Jessica Santos (captain), Ariela Silva, Nicole Simoes (captain), Roxanny Sosa, Tania Sousa, Tishonna Twitty, Ester Zamora

Coaches: Terrence Brogdon, Kelly Mandarincho

We return seven seniors and are looking forward to a productive year. With the infusion of our new players with old ones we feel we can be very competitive this season. We hope to get back the city championship and hope to make the states.







Double play!



The Seniors



Bunt!!



# Bowling Team



Mike Vega, Benny Malave Jr., Cynthia Vargas, Jose Ramos, Mr. Earl  
Not Pictured: Arielle Daniels, Steven Soto, Edward Guzman, Robert Cabrera





Benny Malave Jr. (Captain)



Marveina Bailey (Captain)

When competition rose to the occasion our players knocked pins around showing our competitive nature. We played as a family and became a strong unit and our dynamic talents brought us together for the Newark Public Schools tournament. Our individual players during match play receive high scores by Jose Ramos with a 185. With dedication and leadership our captains showed the underclassmen how to lead by example.

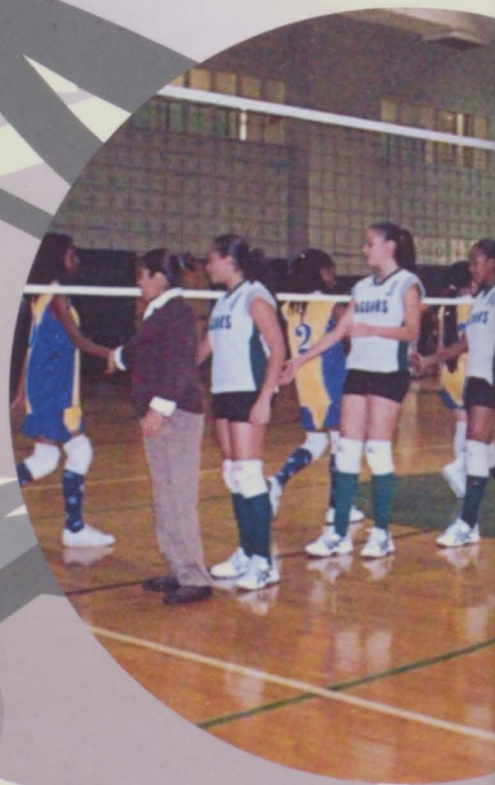




# Girls Volleyball

The team's standout player was senior Cynthia Ladoano who had 37 aces during the season.

Seniors: Cynthia Ladoano (captain) and Nicole Simoes (captain), Aurelie Dienhoue, Tanyshwia Stokes, Marveina Bailey, Jennifer Lantigua.







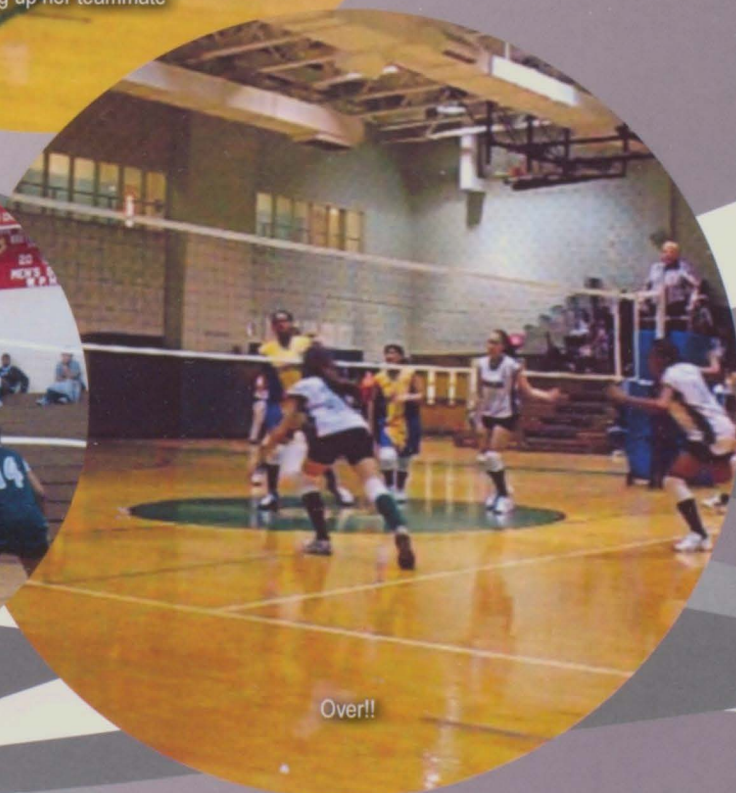
Making the back!



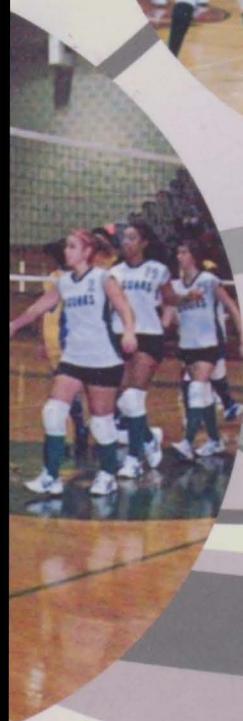
Team bonding



Cynthia setting up her teammate

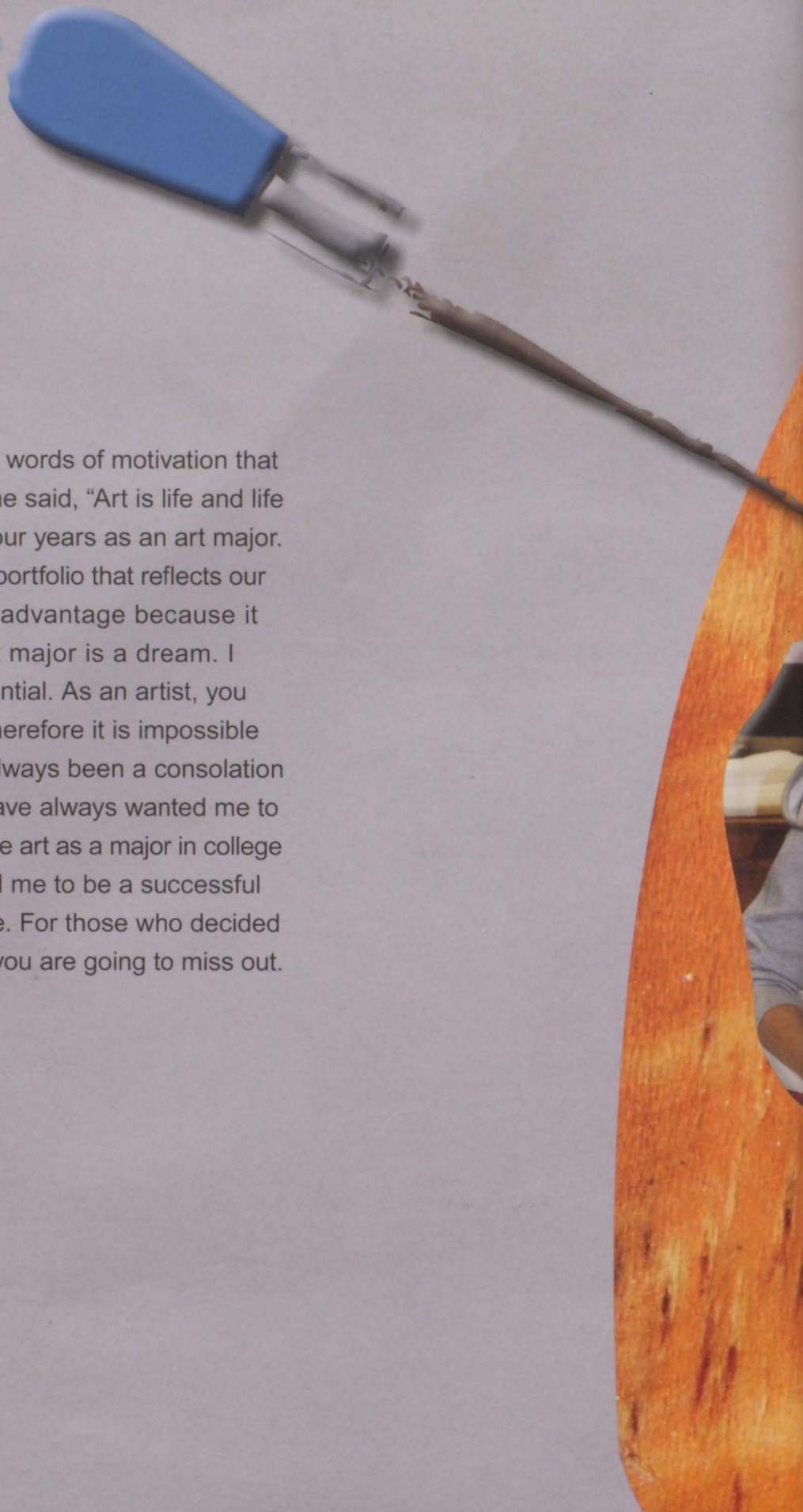


Over!!





# Art Majors



During my first year in high school, the words of motivation that kept me going were from Mrs. Durr. She said, "Art is life and life is art". That was the beginning of my four years as an art major. Being an art major allows us to build a portfolio that reflects our talent. Arts High School gives us an advantage because it prepares us for college. Being an art major is a dream. I continue to succeed and fulfill my potential. As an artist, you can use so many different mediums; therefore it is impossible to ever get bored. As a child, art has always been a consolation to my soul. Even though my parents have always wanted me to be a doctor or lawyer, I decided to pursue art as a major in college because my art teachers have inspired me to be a successful artist. Art is what makes people unique. For those who decided not to pursue their majors; I must say, you are going to miss out. Art is a gift that truly can set you free.

- Jennifer Lantigua





Steven in the Mac Lab



Tauan, lost in the world of graphic design.



Purdie, fine truning his artwork



Jazzlyn working on a fabulous Design!

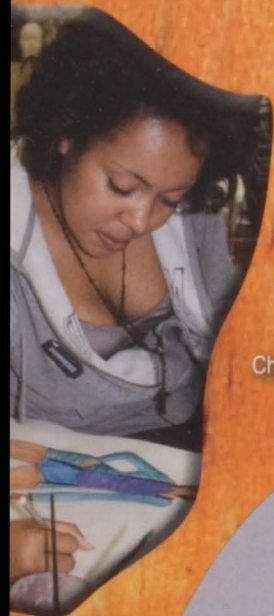


Music guides his concentration



Jennifer doing what is does best!

Christina and her passion



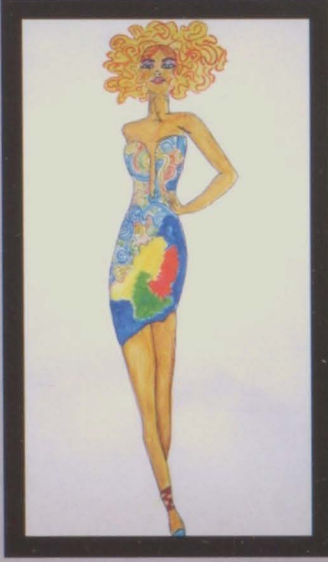


# Senior Work

Yasmin De Jesus



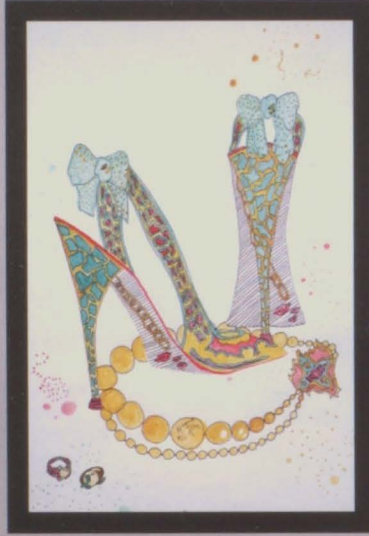
Jazzlyn Sierra



Cairo Price



Shay-la Maxwell



Christina Hiers



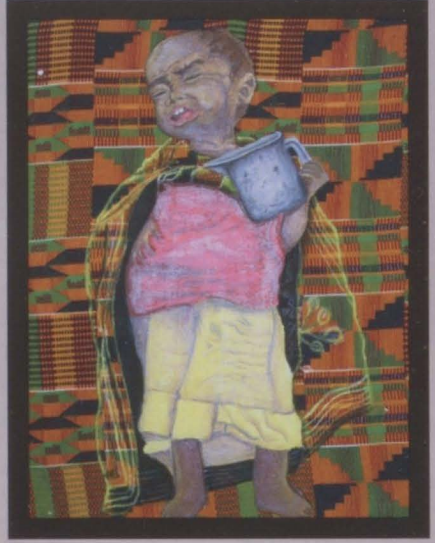
Devin Alexander



Isamar Aponte



Jennifer Lantigua



Eric Jernigan





Nahum Purdie



Alex Neto



Marquies Payne



Prophet Kates



Raiquel Alves



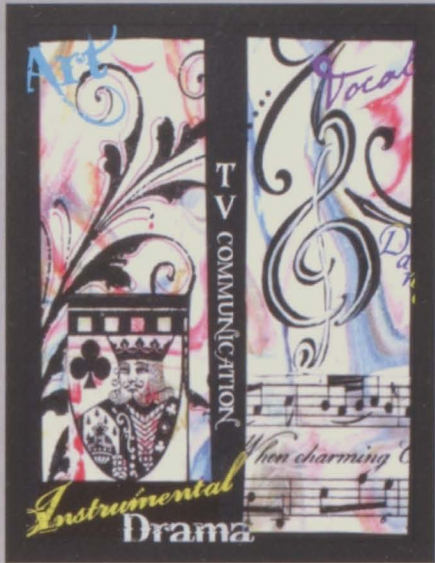
Jessica Santos



Mark Oliveira



Monica Dias



Krystal Perez

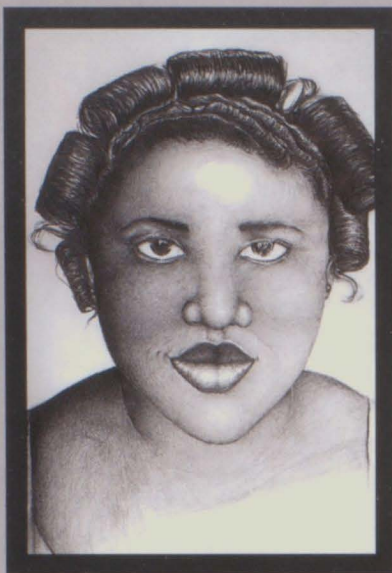




Sara Da Silva



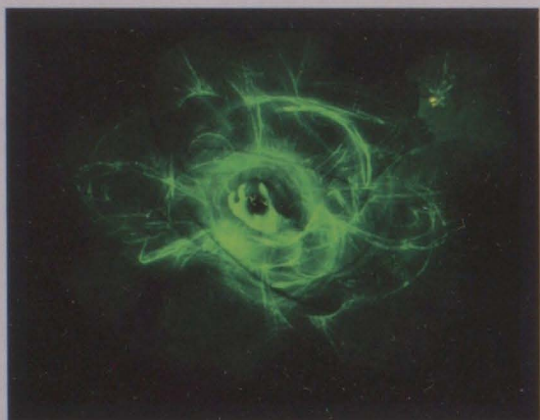
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Karon Clerk



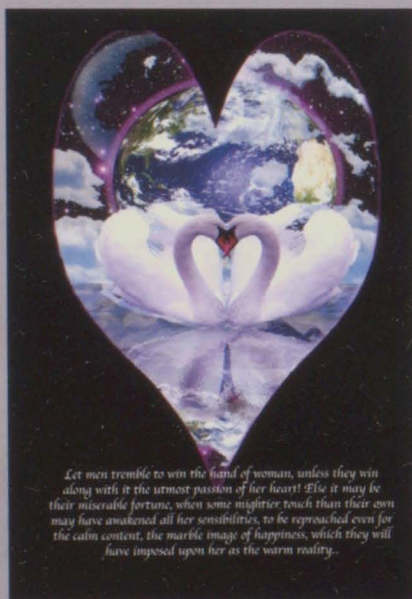
Steven Simoes



Ernest Williams

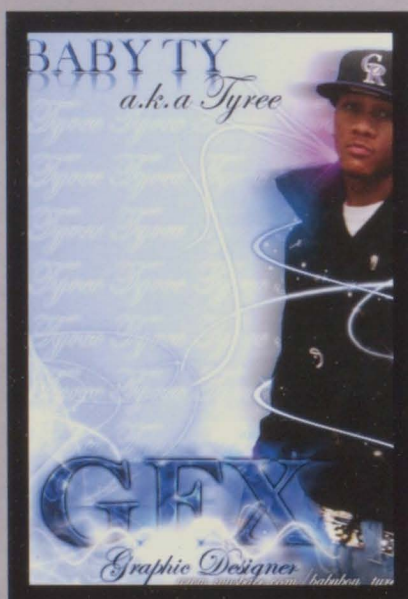


Kiante Walker



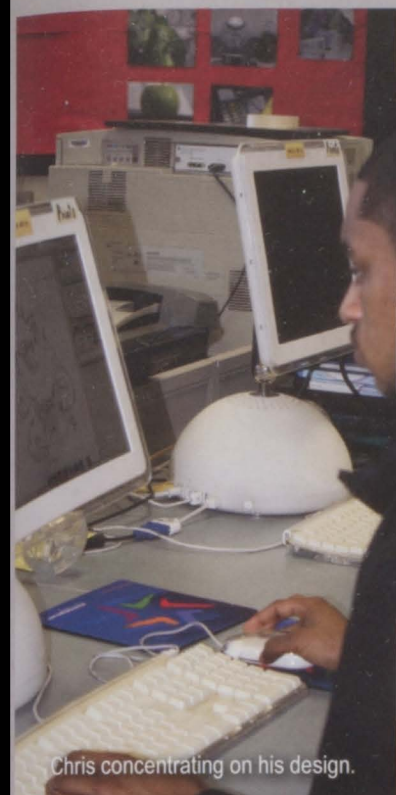
Let men tremble to win the hand of woman, unless they win along with it the utmost passion of her heart! Else it may be their miserable fortune, when some mightier touch than their own may have awakened all her sensibilities, to be repulsed even for the calm content, the marble image of happiness, which they will have imposed upon her as the warm reality.

Devon Johnson

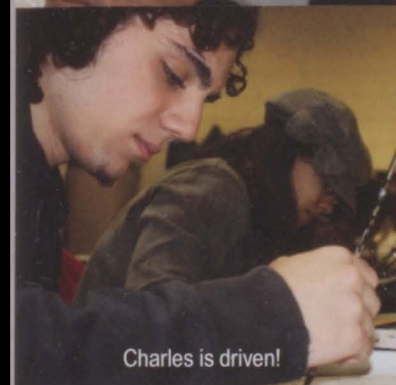


Alex Neto at work!





Chris concentrating on his design.



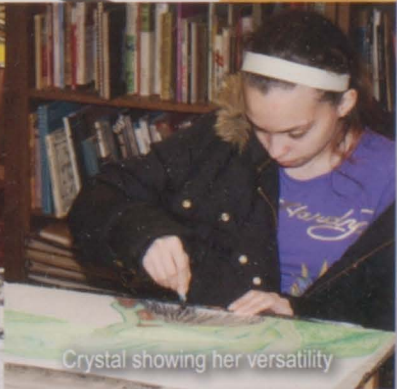
Charles is driven!



Isamar incorporating fashion into animation.



Eric the fashion Prince



Crystal showing her versatility



# Dance Majors

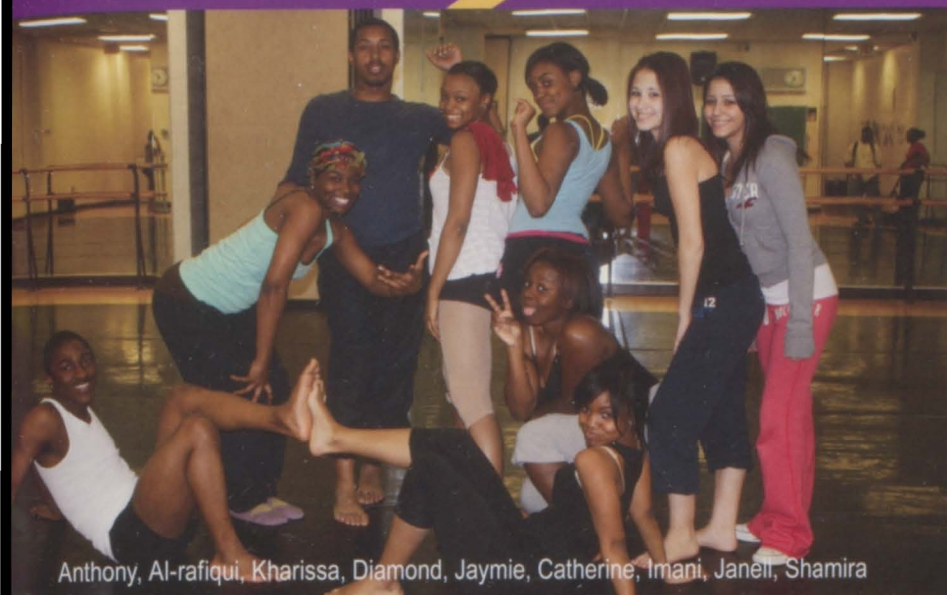


Days of sweat and tears where  
we prove our selves and test our  
fears...Years of frustration and  
stresstimes when teachers say  
"You just look a mess!" Too much  
pain and most of the timesno gain...  
For all we came in with, was our  
hearts and dedication; But what we  
have gained in little as four years later  
speaks louder than our friendships,  
Works harder than Horton classes,  
It's bigger than Diamond's toe nail!

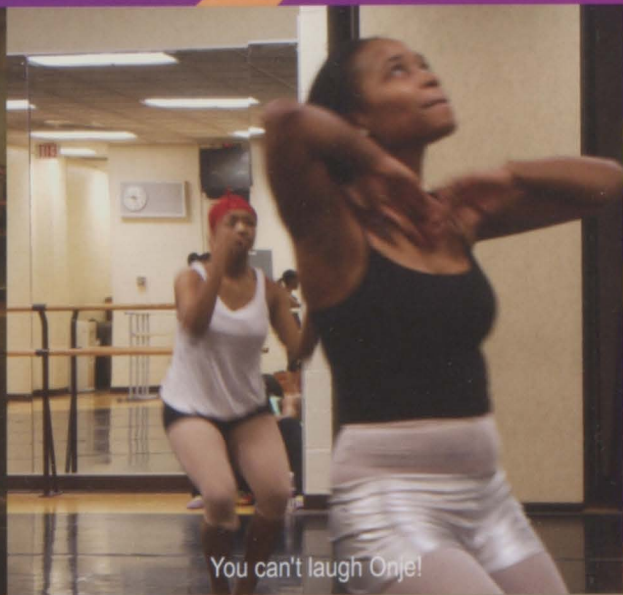
(just joking diamond We love you!)

- Karen Lima





Anthony, Al-rafiqi, Kharissa, Diamond, Jaymie, Catherine, Imani, Janel, Shamira



You can't laugh Onje!



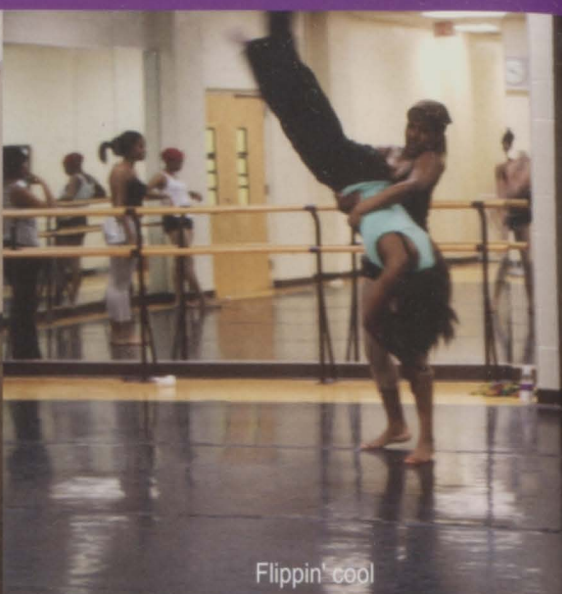
Dance Pose!



Focus Sophia!!







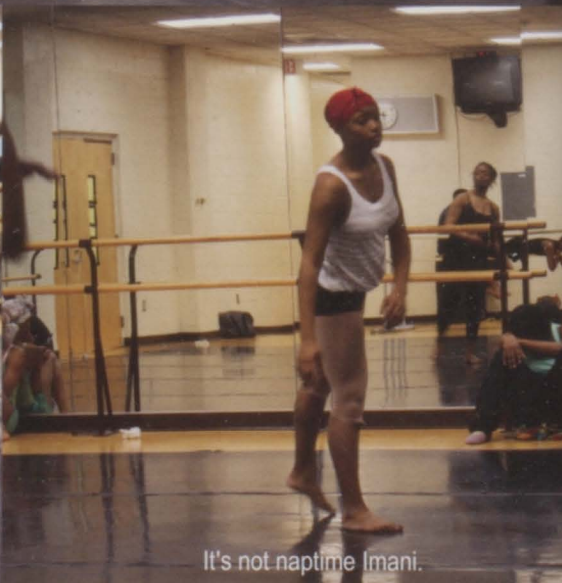
Flippin' cool



Judissa is lost

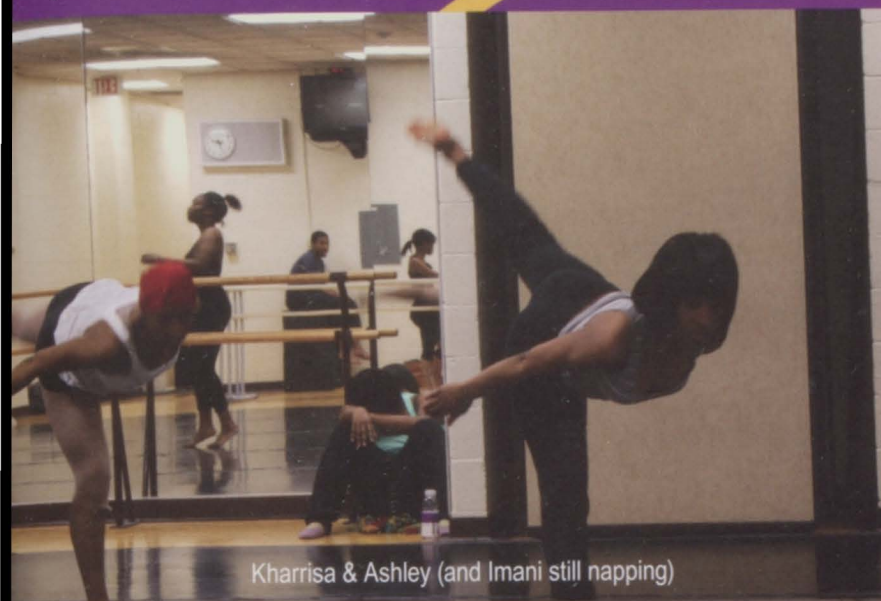


Fly Shamirah, fly! Jump Janell, jump!

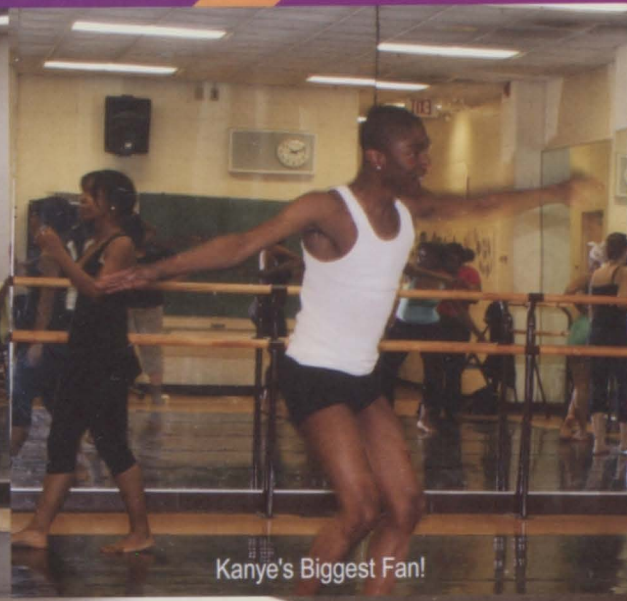


It's not naptime Imani.

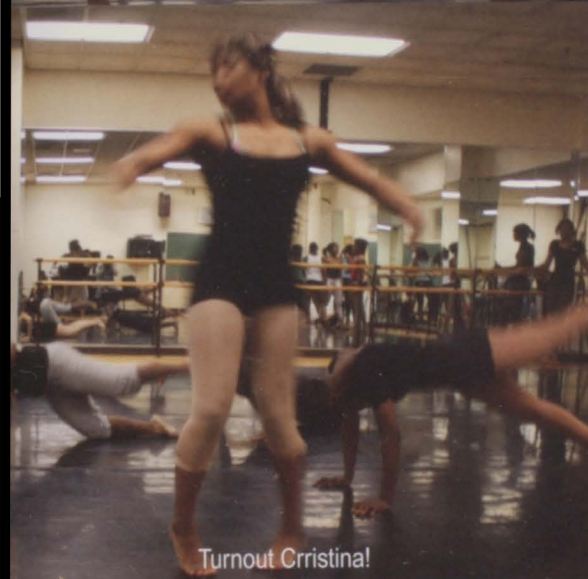




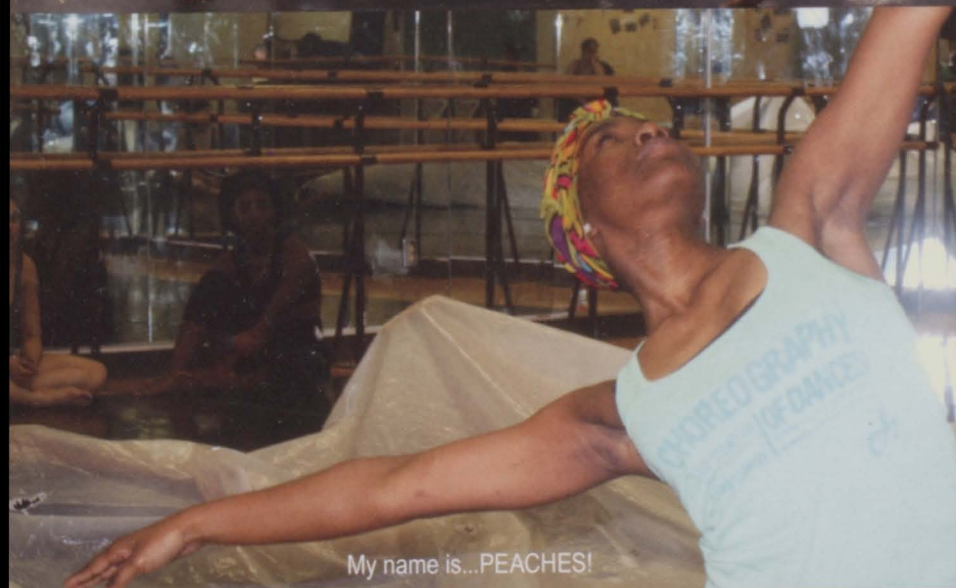
Kharrisa & Ashley (and Imani still napping)



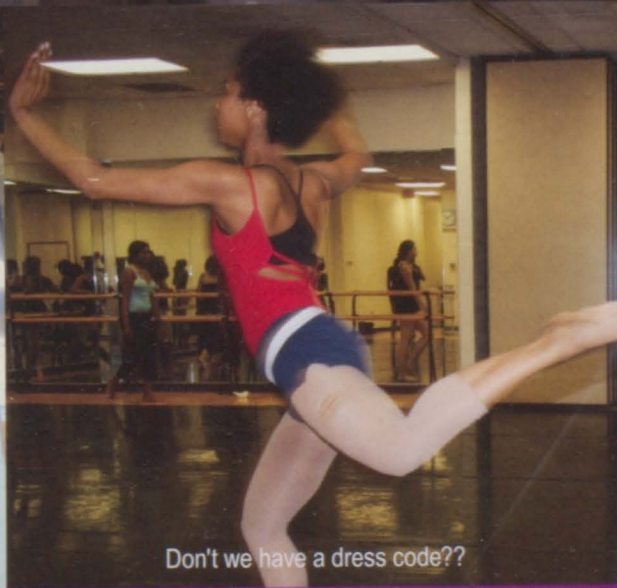
Kanye's Biggest Fan!



Turnout Cristinal!



My name is...PEACHES!



Don't we have a dress code??





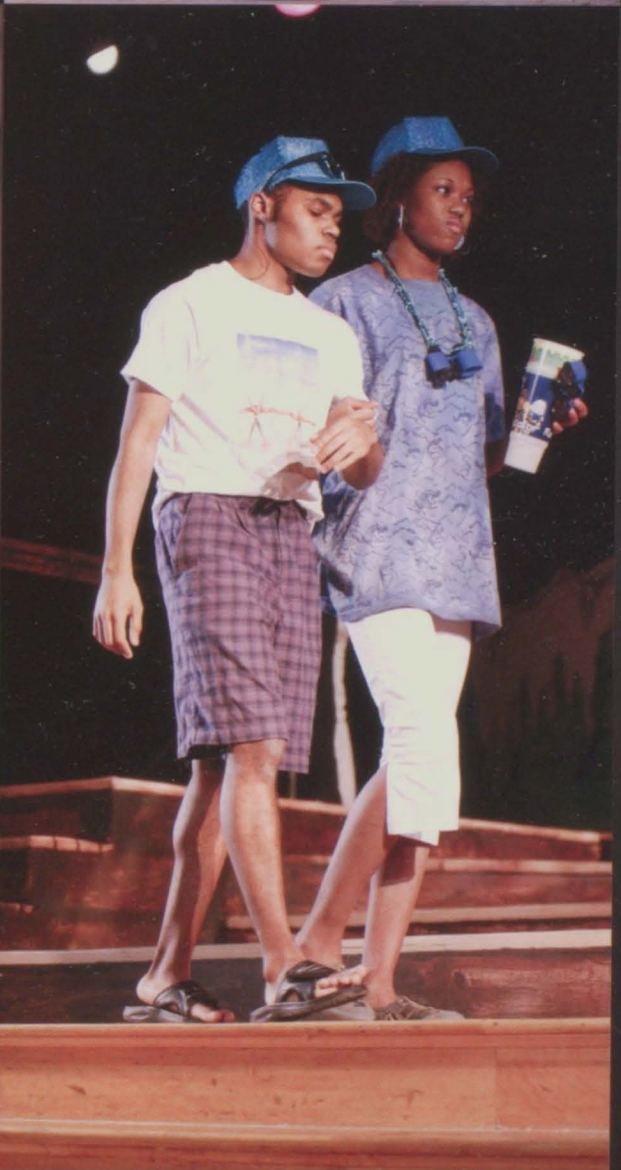
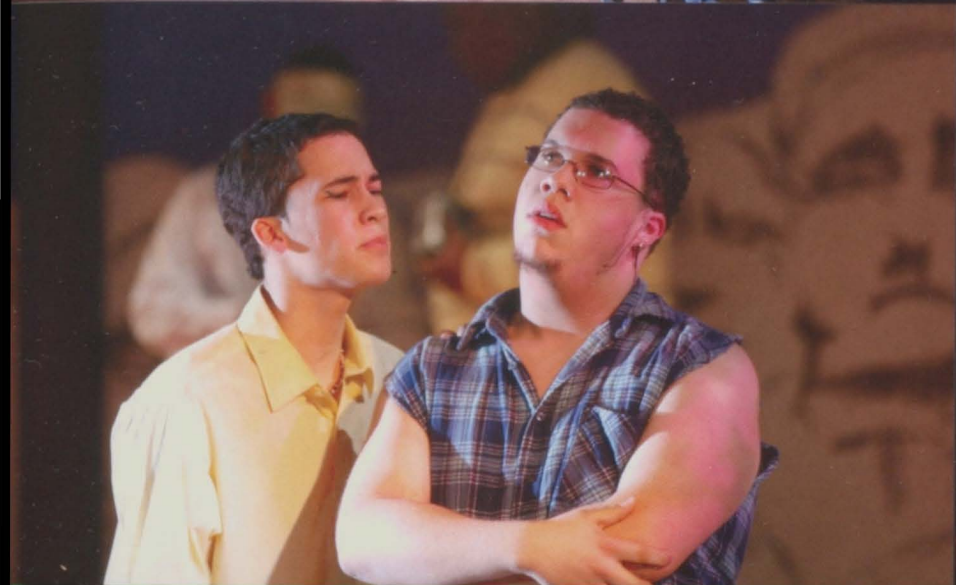
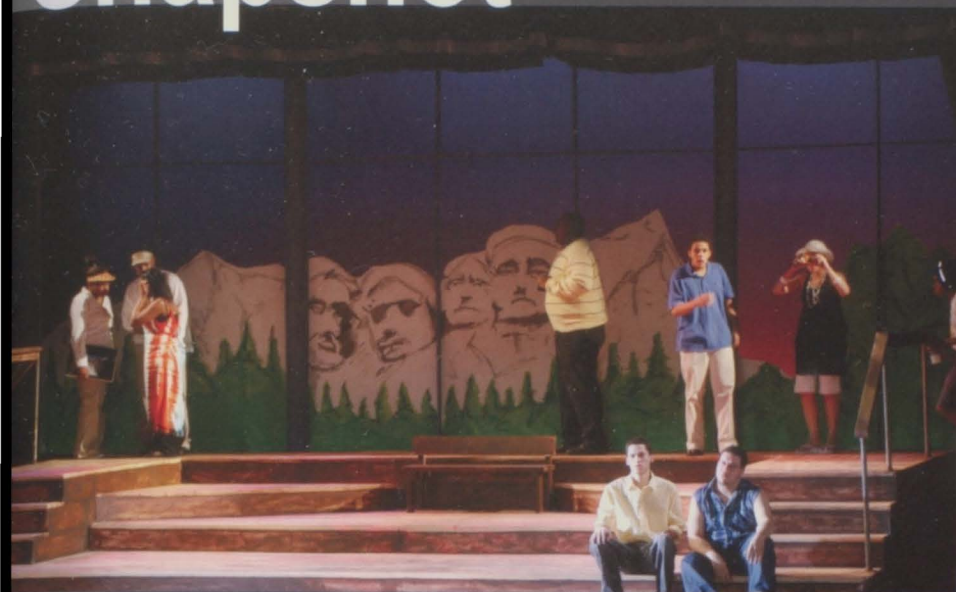
# Drama Majors

Looking over the last four years of attending Arts High I have gained a great respect for all majors. No one can do what we Arts High students can do with our talents and willingness to excel in our passions. I have grown to love and appreciate the art of Drama. Many people come in and think acting is just all fun and games and not so hard to do. Even in my earlier years I thought that acting was just the theater games we used to play freshmen year, but in all actuality it is not. It takes skill, endurance, and commitment to do what we as thespians do. There are so many aspects of Drama that you must learn in order to be able to perform certain methods of acting. Do not think for a second that theater is just one sided either. There is also the technical side which takes the same skill and commitment as acting. Whether it is learning lighting or sound cues or basic stage directions like stage right, stage left, up stage or down stage, this is work that involves a clever eye and quick wit. Being a drama major at Arts has taught me all this and more which in turn led to my love for theater and will to pursue it as a career. I have gained confidence in myself and found who I really was through scenes and monologues both read and performed. Thanks to the teachings of both Mrs. Brazell-Rafua and Mr. Gonzalez, I have grown as an actor and even more as a young woman.

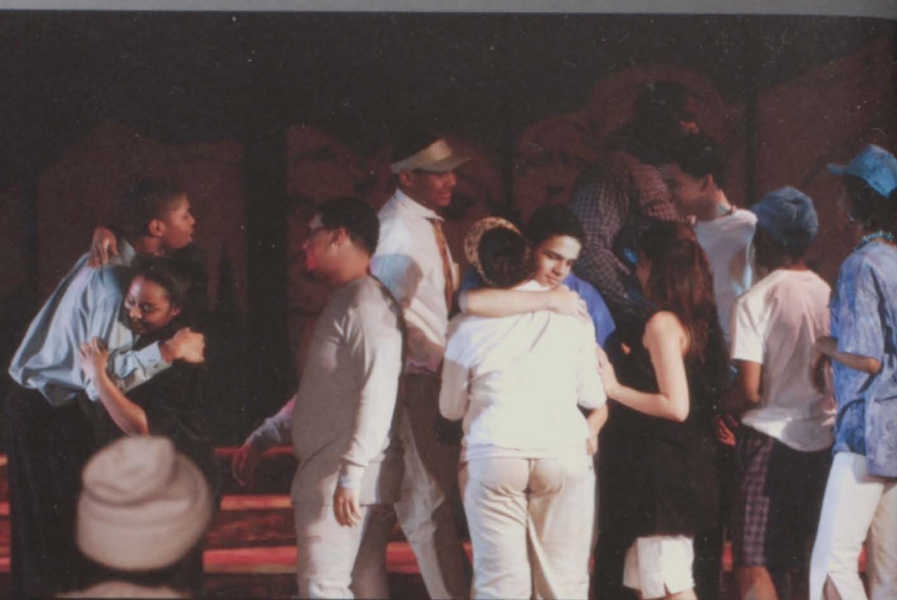
- Alyce Muhammad



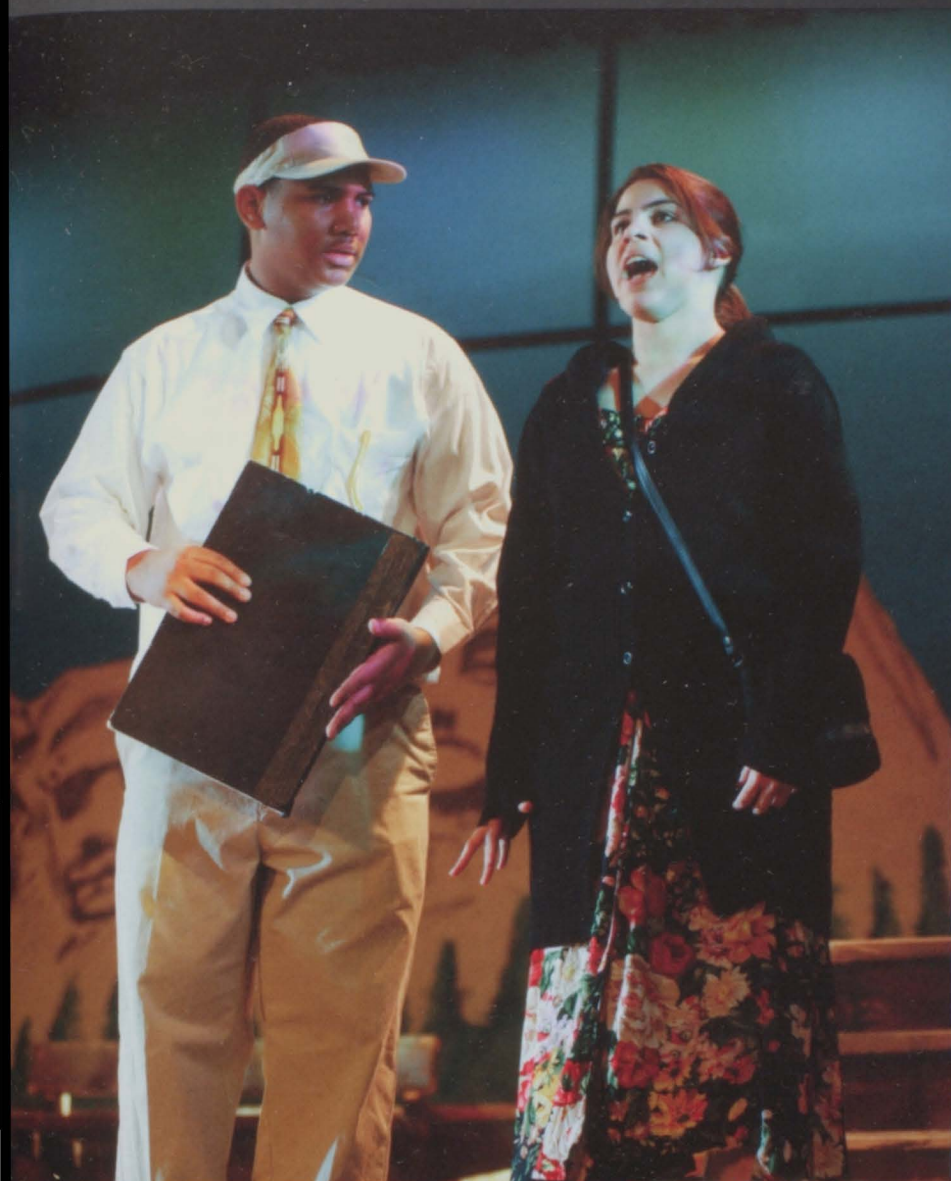
# Snapshot













# Juliet Lived









# Music Majors



## *Vocal*

Being a vocal major means being committed to your music. Most people see it as just singing songs all day but through the eyes of a vocal major we see hard work and dedication. My teacher Dr. Forderhase pushes us 110 percent everyday and brings out the best in everyone. If it wasn't for him I wouldn't be half the singer I am today. I am proud to be a vocal major not only for the music but for the great teachers I work with like Dr. Forderhase, Dr. Carter and our pianist Mr. Kruger. I look forward to taking the knowledge that they have given me to college and pursuing my music career.

- James Thompson





Opening Ironmen Soccer game at the Prudential Center.  
Rendition (Malcom Richardson, Michael Rodriguez, Robert Ruffin, Lawrence Dandridge) singing "The Star Spangled Banner"



KISS FM Raido, St. JUDE Radiothon  
Rendition singing as original jungle they wrote for the event and sang live on the KISS FM Radio.  
Mark Tonsul, Lawrence Dandridge, Anthony Lacoste



Girls Vocal Majors





# *Instrumental*

We have so many talented musicians, who dedicate themselves on keeping the reputation of the department strong. We work hard to make our traditional concerts memorable for not only our audience, but for ourselves. Our mutual respect level for each other is so high because we each can relate to our fellow peer, who has to remember major, minor, and chromatic scales for a test on Friday. Even though we each play different instruments, and have unique playing styles, if we all came together to form one huge orchestra, our composition, and our unity would be undistinguishable as well as indestructible.

- Armani Campbell





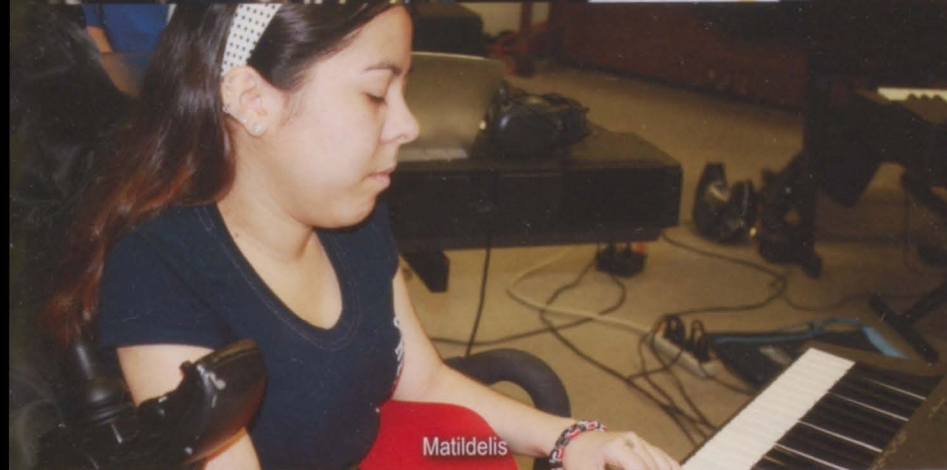
Brass Instrumentalists



Fernando DeOlivera



Woodwind Instrumentalist



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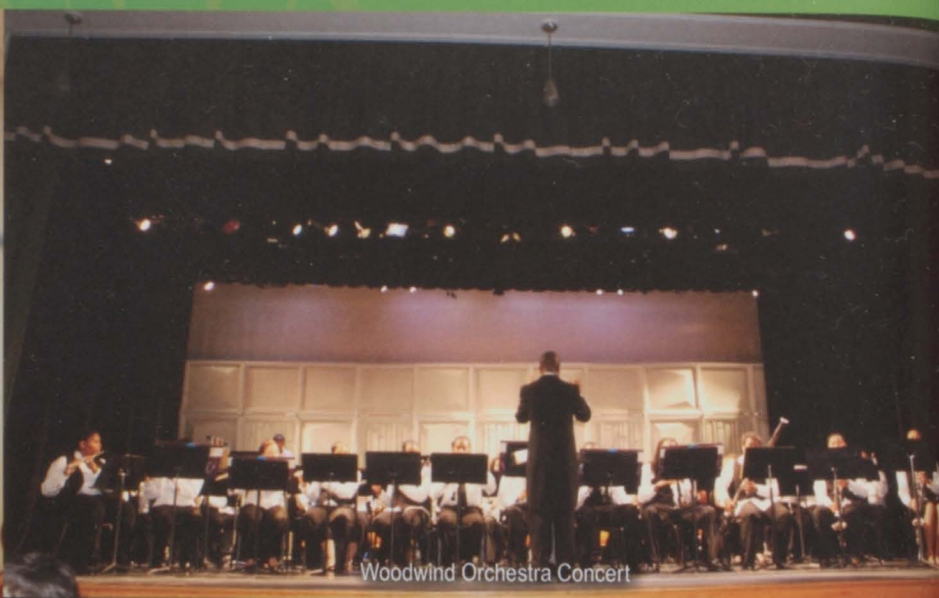


Fedlene Larose





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Woodwind Orchestra Concert



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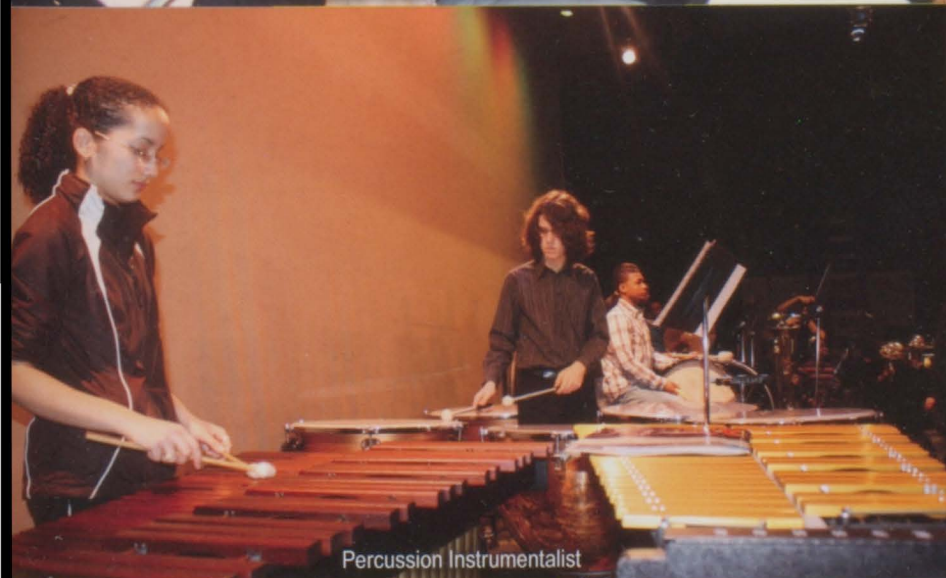




Instrumentalist playing with guests from Canada.



Derrick Sweeney conducting

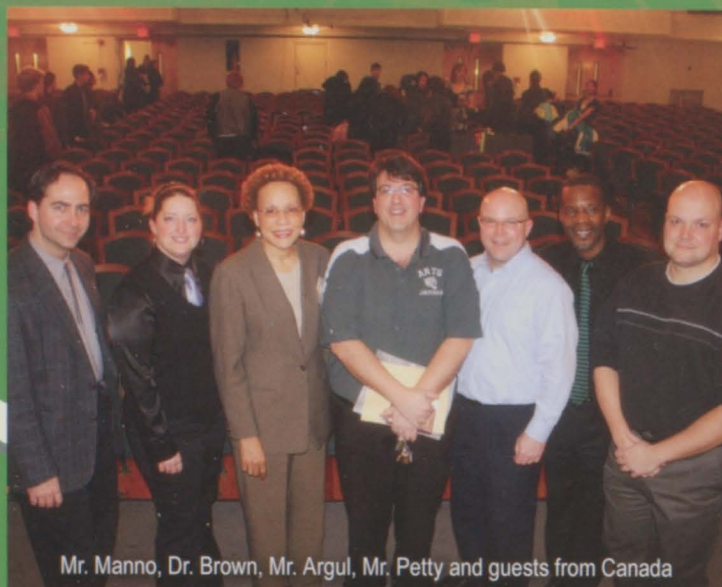


Percussion Instrumentalist



String Instrumentalist





Mr. Manno, Dr. Brown, Mr. Argul, Mr. Petty and guests from Canada



Guitarists



Cynthia, Maryemma and Jasmine playing the clarinet



Arts High Students playing with Canadian guests.

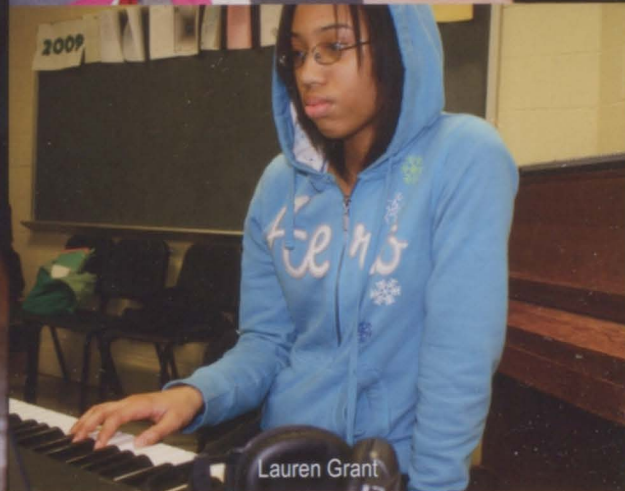




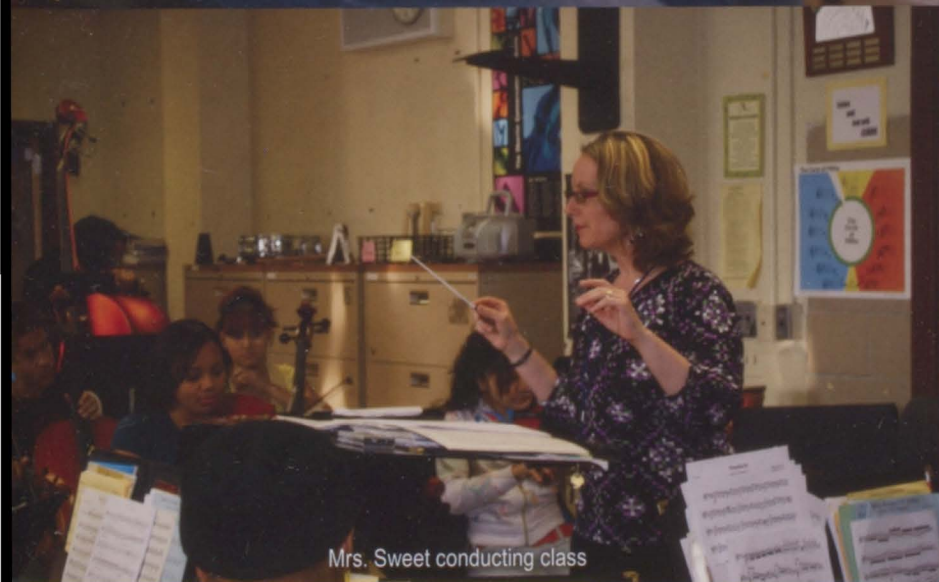
Armani playing the violin



Esther Zamora



Lauren Grant



Mrs. Sweet conducting class



Asia, Fernando and Lauren





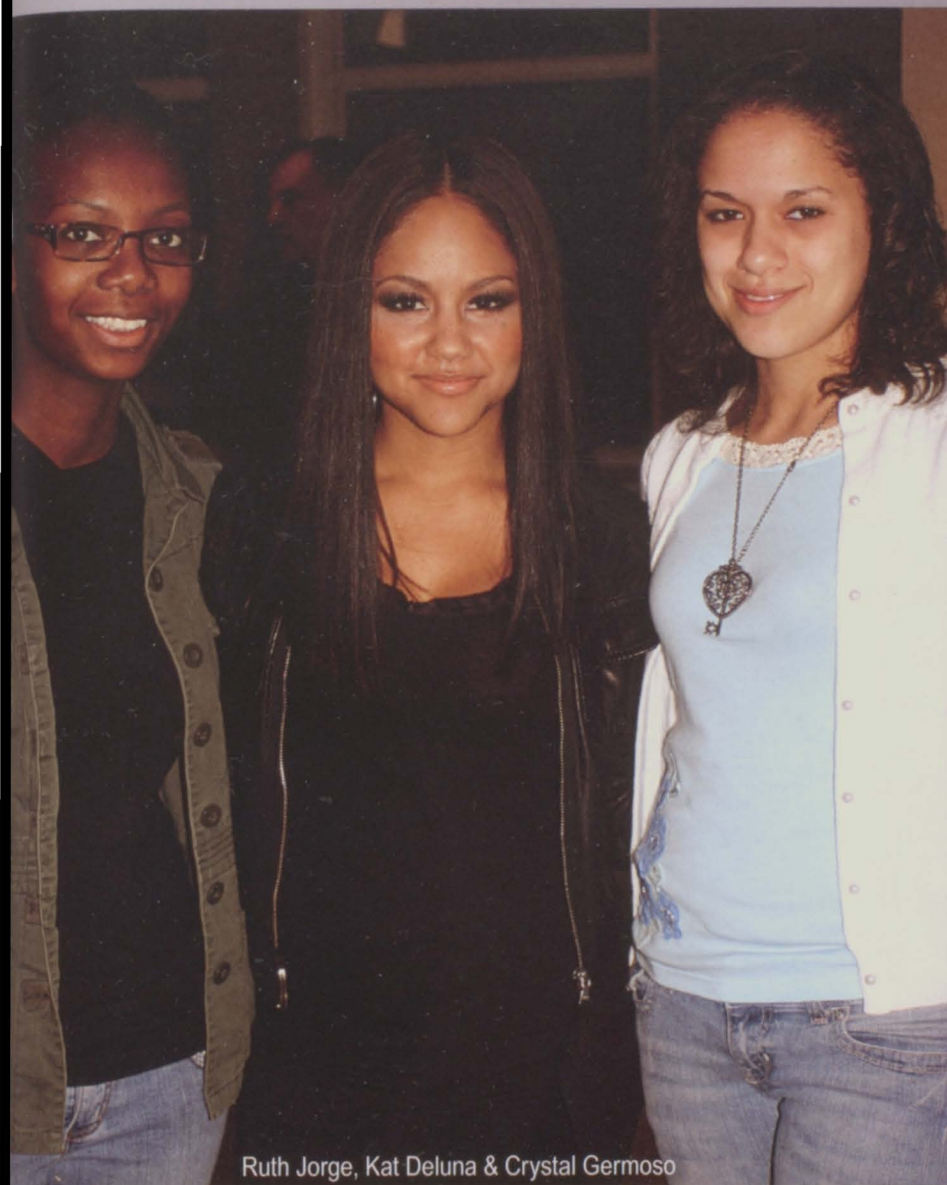
# T.V. Production Majors

A walk into the future was what we experienced during the freshmen summer bridge program. Never before had we heard of BNC,RCA,ENG. As the years passed, opportunities began knocking at our doors and before you know it, off we go to college. The lives Mr. Smith and the T.V. department touched will forever be grateful. If it is to be, it is up to me.

Love, the television production & communications class of 2009

Ruth Jorge

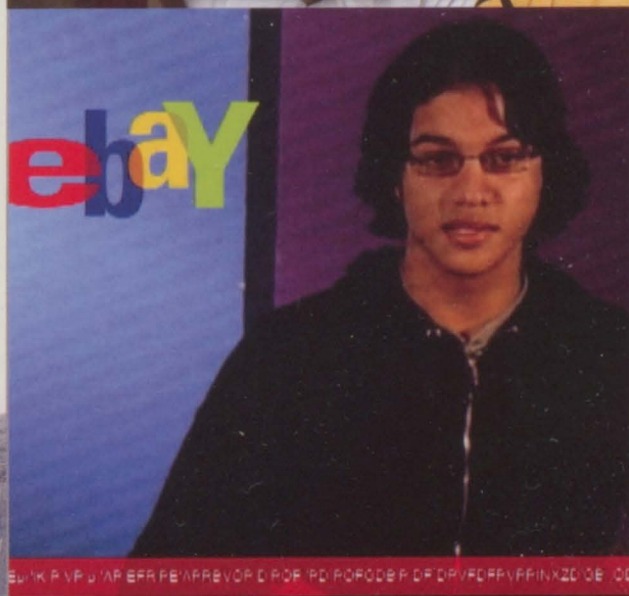




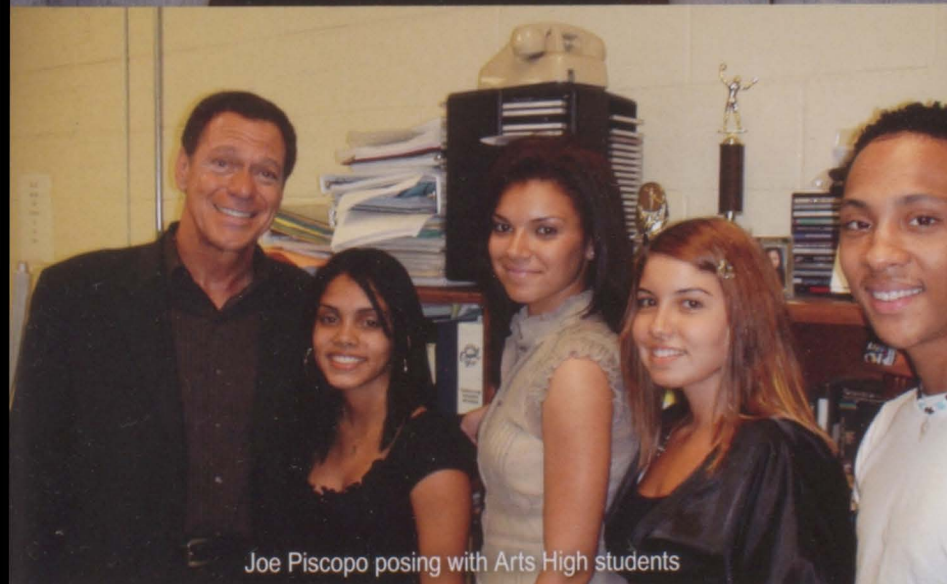
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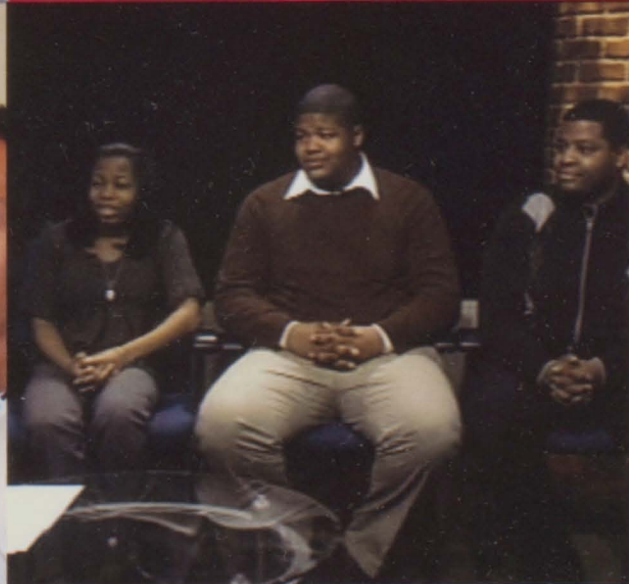
Crystal Lozada getting the shot



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Joe Piscopo posing with Arts High students







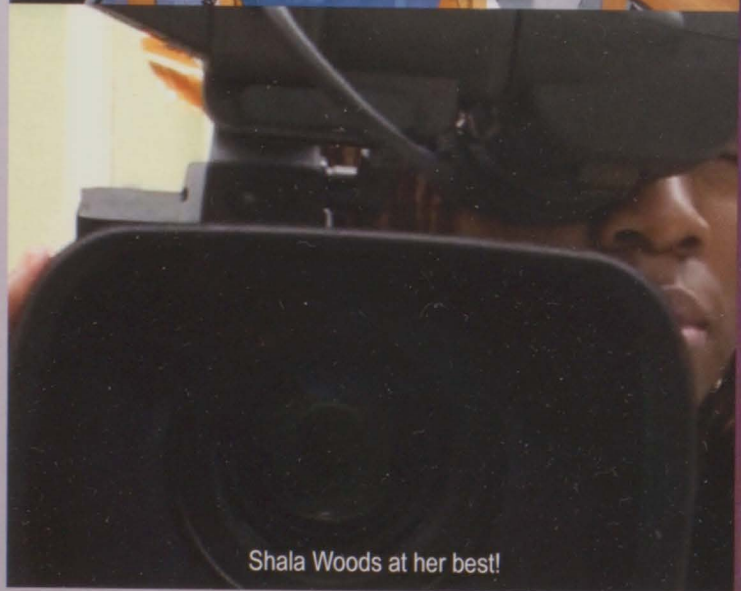
Shaila Woods shows off her camera talent



Zakiya White, Khalid Jordan and Mr. Smith on NEWS 12 NJ visit



Senior TV production students

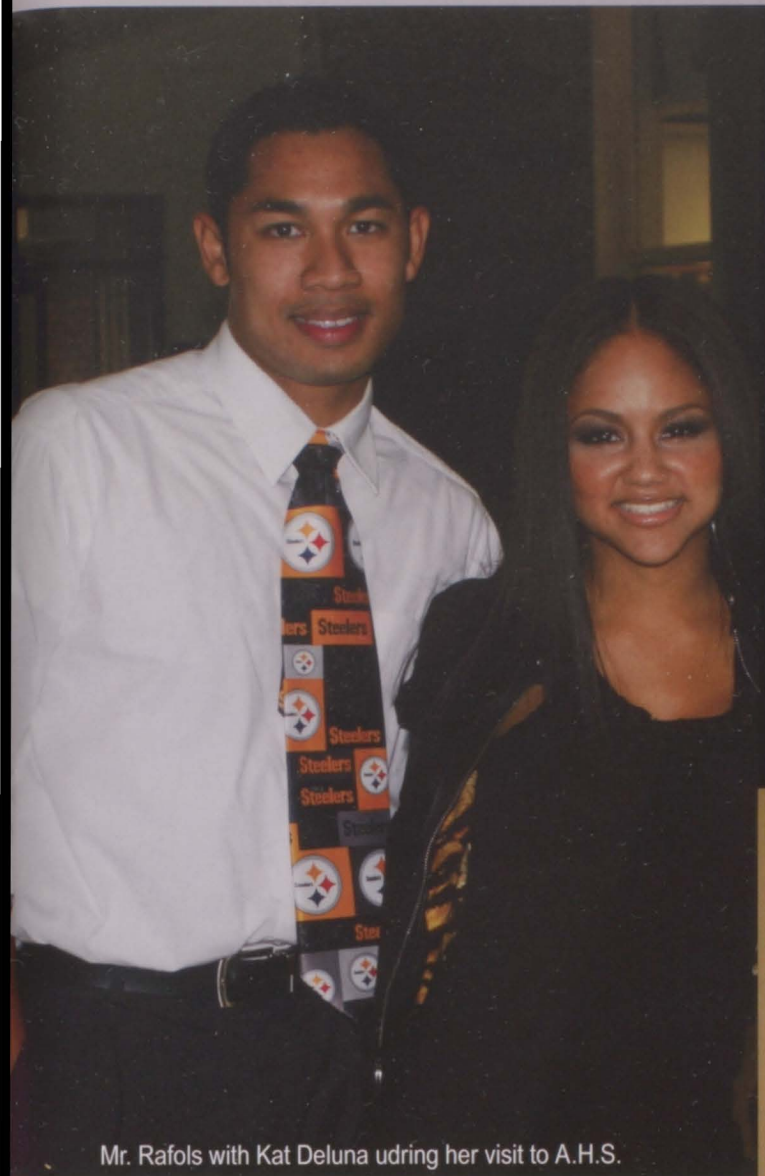


Shala Woods at her best!



Joe Piscopo visits Arts High School





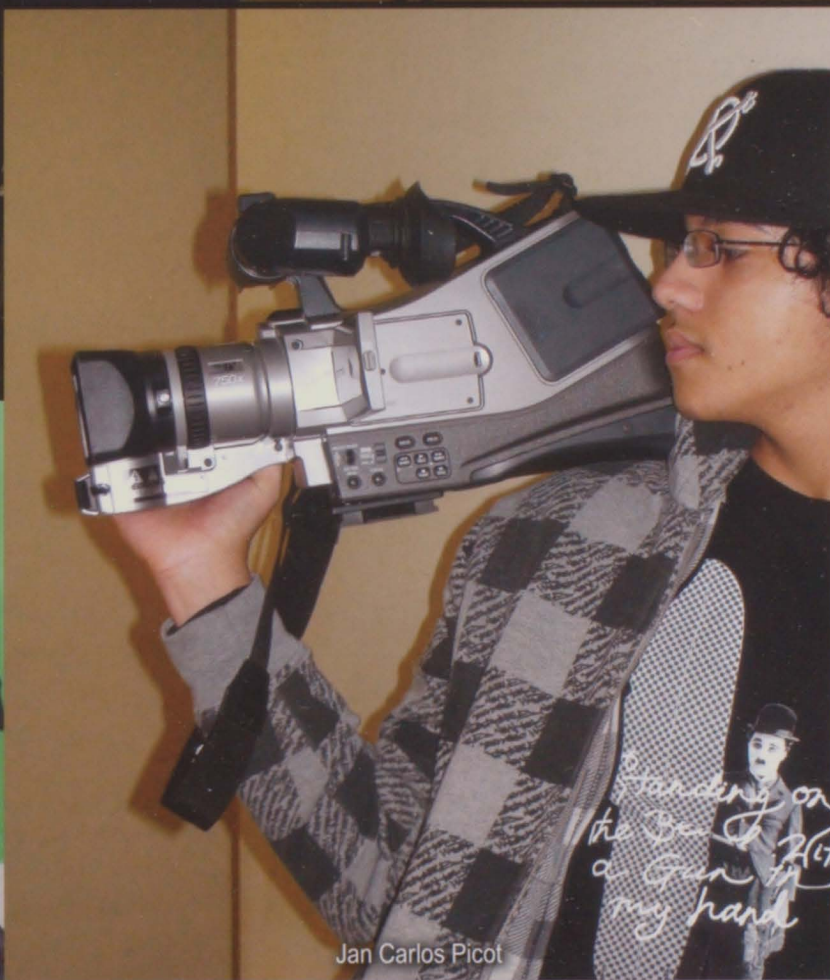
Mr. Rafols with Kat Deluna during her visit to A.H.S.



Crystal Lozada in the new show Jaguar Entertainment.



TV majors class of "10"



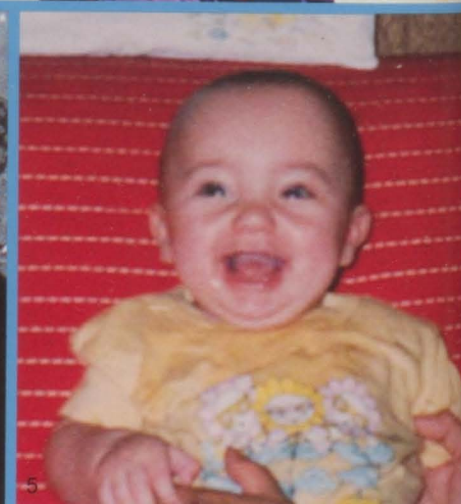
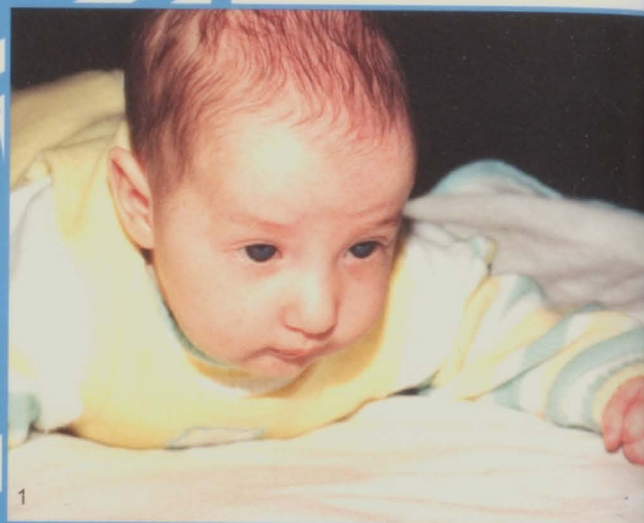
Jan Carlos Picot

*Standing on  
the Beach with  
a Gun in  
my hand*

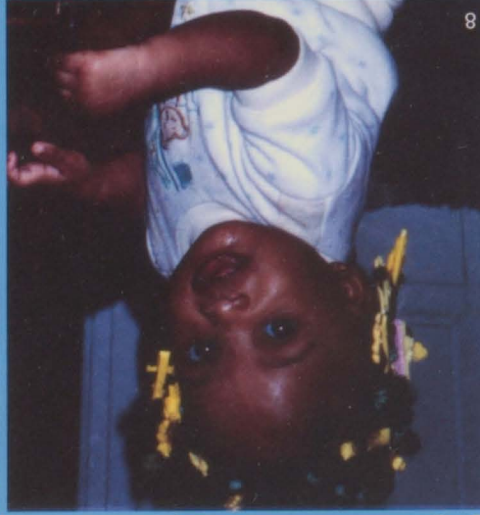
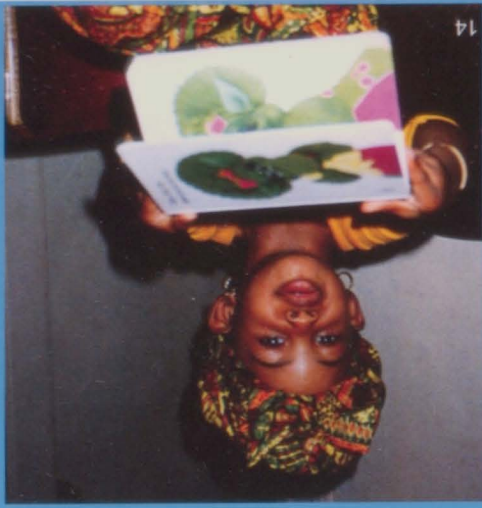


# Talented Babies

It's amazing how time flies.  
 It's amazing how time goes by.  
 Crawling here,  
 Walking there,  
 Now running around everywhere.  
 From being helpless and unsure,  
 To being able to endure,  
 Anything that comes our way,  
 Living life to the fullest each day.  
 So even though things have changed,  
 There is always one thing that remains the same.  
 The past is the future.  
 Remember this and know,  
 Each day we learn.  
 Each day we grow.

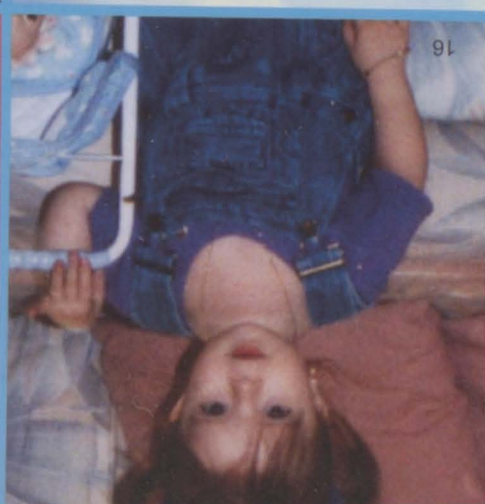
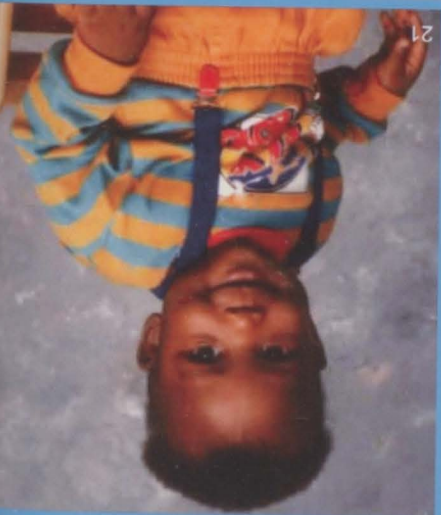
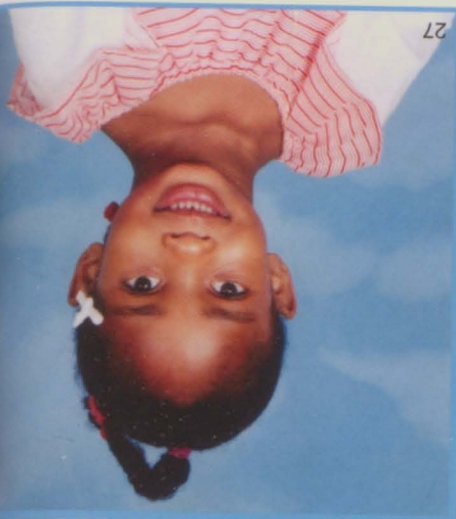








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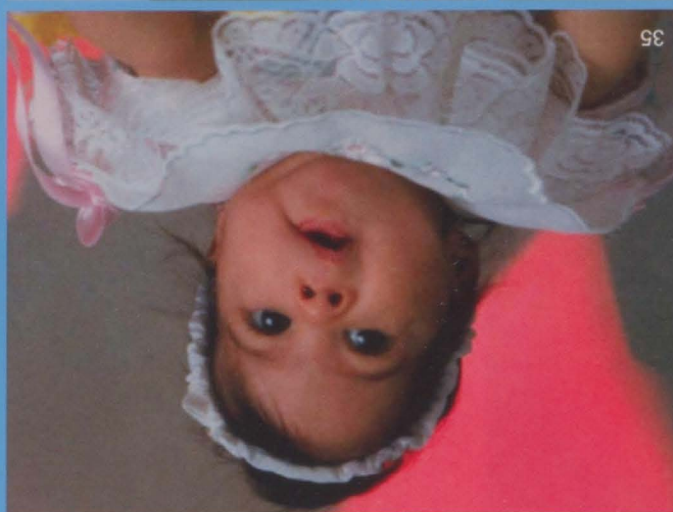
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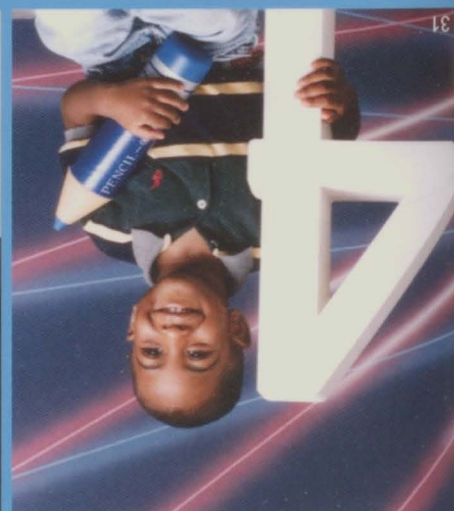
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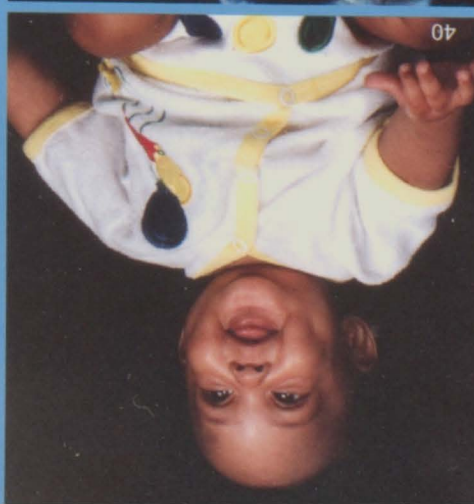
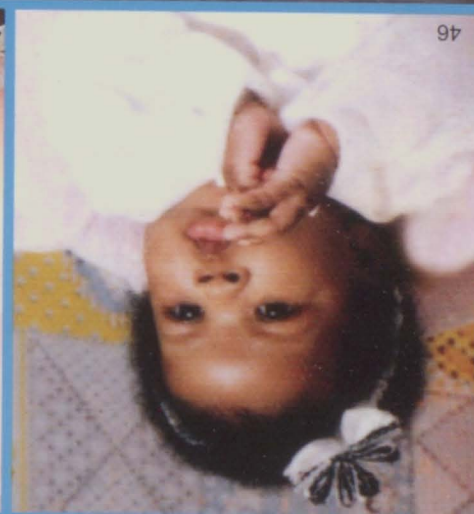
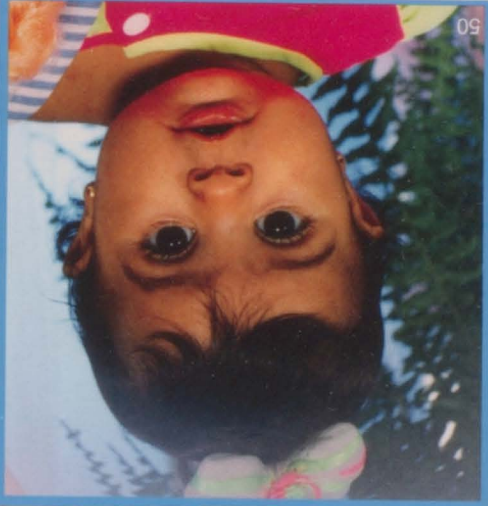


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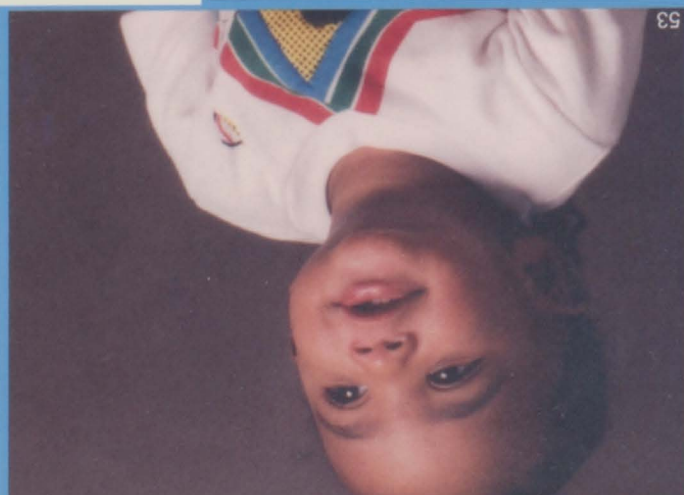
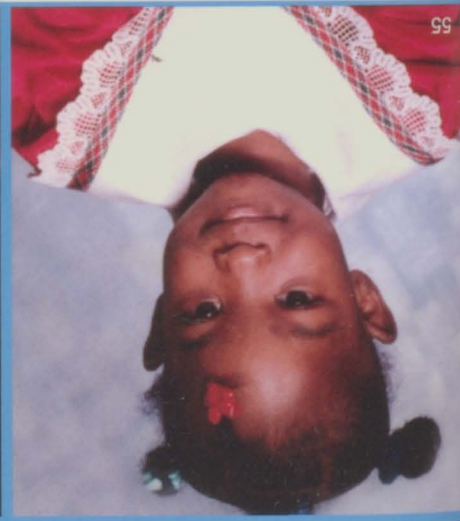
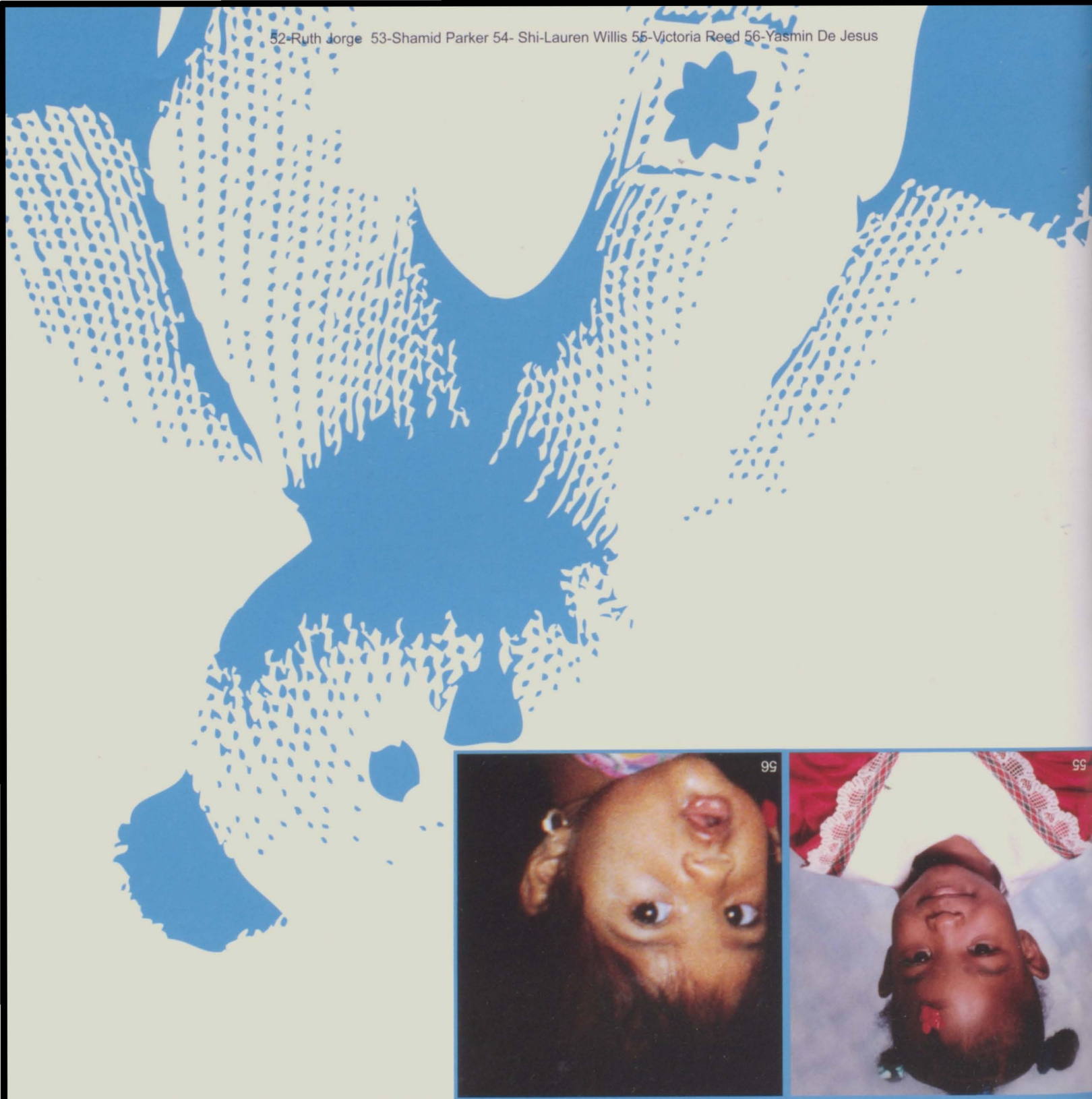


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The Class of 2009 would like to dedicate this yearbook in the memory of

# Ms. Durr



Don't think of her as gone away...  
Her journey's just begun...  
Life holds so many facets...  
this earth is only one.

Just think of her as resting  
From the sorrow and the tears  
In a place of warmth and comfort  
Where there are no days and years.

Think of how she must be wishing  
That we could know today  
How nothing but our sadness  
Can really pass away.

And think of her as living  
In the hearts of those she touched...  
For nothing loved is ever lost...  
And she was loved so much.

We love you Ms. Durr and miss your wonderful  
spirit and presence. You gave us so many great  
memories. You will be with us forever.

Rest now and be at peace.  
Love,  
Your friends





# Yearbook Club

**Nicole Simoes**

**Armani Caampbell / Photographer & Writer**

**Cathy Gomes**

**Easter Zamora / Writer**

**Lauren Grant**

**Nicole Murphy / Writer**

**Janay Mckoy**

**Dwight Budhram / Photographer**

**Michelle Wilson**

**Marline Anozil / Photographer**

**Genese Gonzalez / Photographer**

**Shariess Johnson / Photographer**

**Jessie Fiallo / Writer**

**Shalia Story**

**Monica Dias / Designer**

**Luis Flores / Designer**

**Cecar Pucar / Designer**

**Kasey Silva**

**Luis Vega/ Designer**

**Karen Lima / Writer**

**James Thompson / Photographer**

**Yazmine Graham / Writer**

**Mr. Da Silva / Advisor**







# Best Friends

Genese and William







# MY LIFE STORY



There is so much to this girl, she plays a big role in my life. She is full of life, and I would do anything for you Monica. She isn't just my best friend there is more to it, she is my sister.

We have gone through so much within these past years and I can honestly say she is the only girl I can count on and will have full trust for.

Never has she let me down, always there for me through good times as well as bad.

Monica is not the type to judge, she expects me for who I am, not what others expect me to be. I enjoy every minute of her company, there is never a boring moment. Monica, I can sit here and write a whole page about you, but words cannot describe the love I have for you.

You share a special part in my heart,  
I Love You MoMo

To everyone Jess is known as my best friend, but to me she is much more than that. She is the person I run to for advice, the person who I tell all my secrets to. The girl I know will always be there for me, who will always have my back and be honest with me. Jess can always tell when I am upset or want to talk before I even say a word.

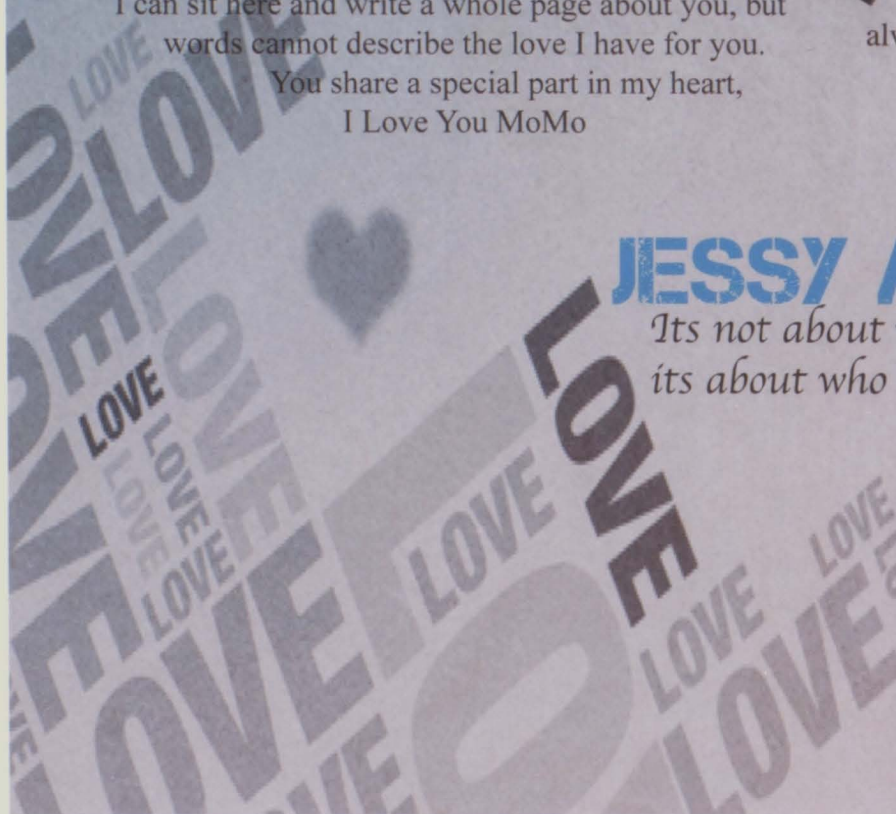
On the worst day I could possibly have Jess is the only one who manages to make me smile. She knows me better than anyone and I know that no matter what happens she will always love me and never judge me. To me she is like family, a sister I never had and she will always and forever be a large part of my heart...

I love you Sis



## JESSY AND MONICA

*Its not about who you've known the longest;  
its about who came and never left your side.*





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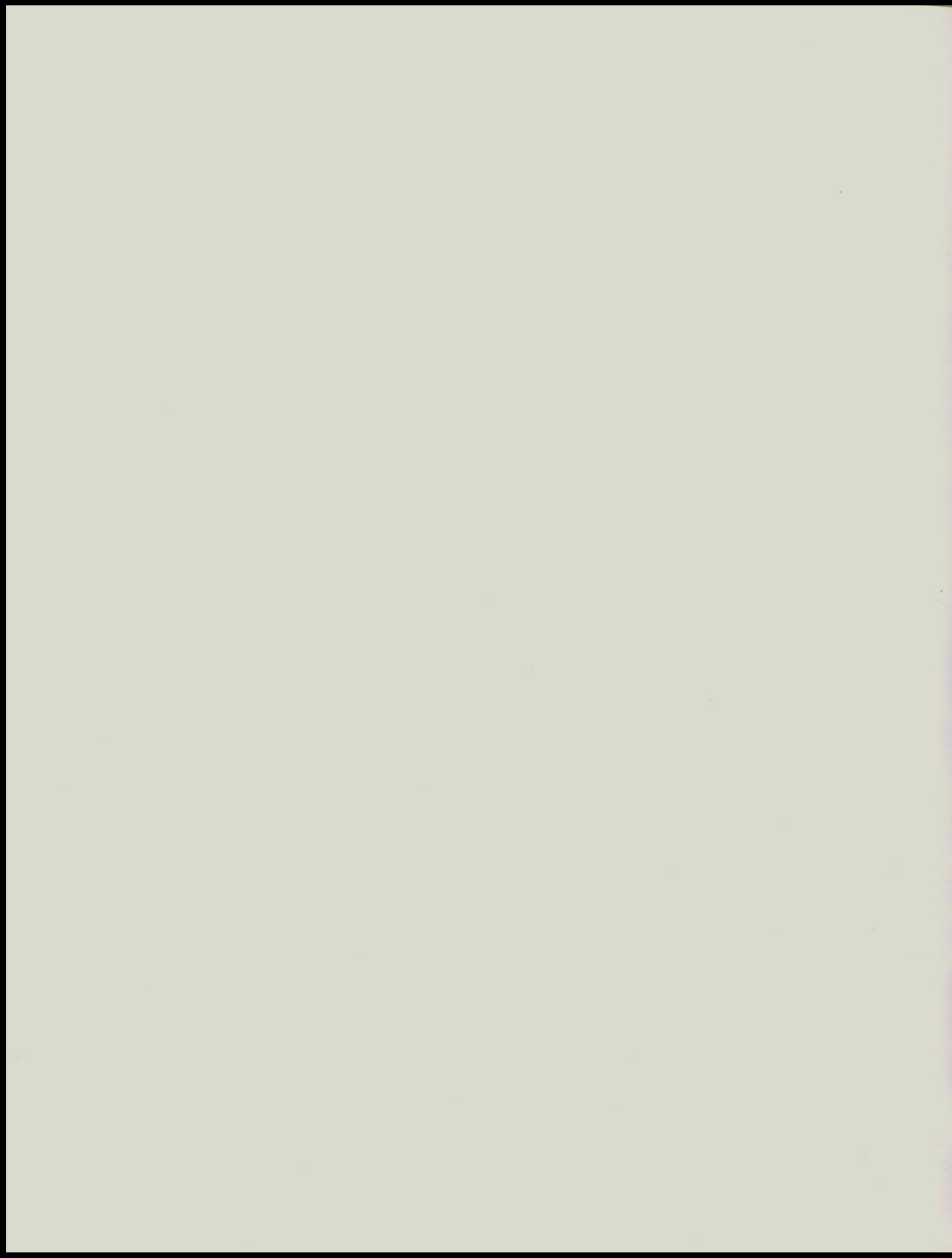


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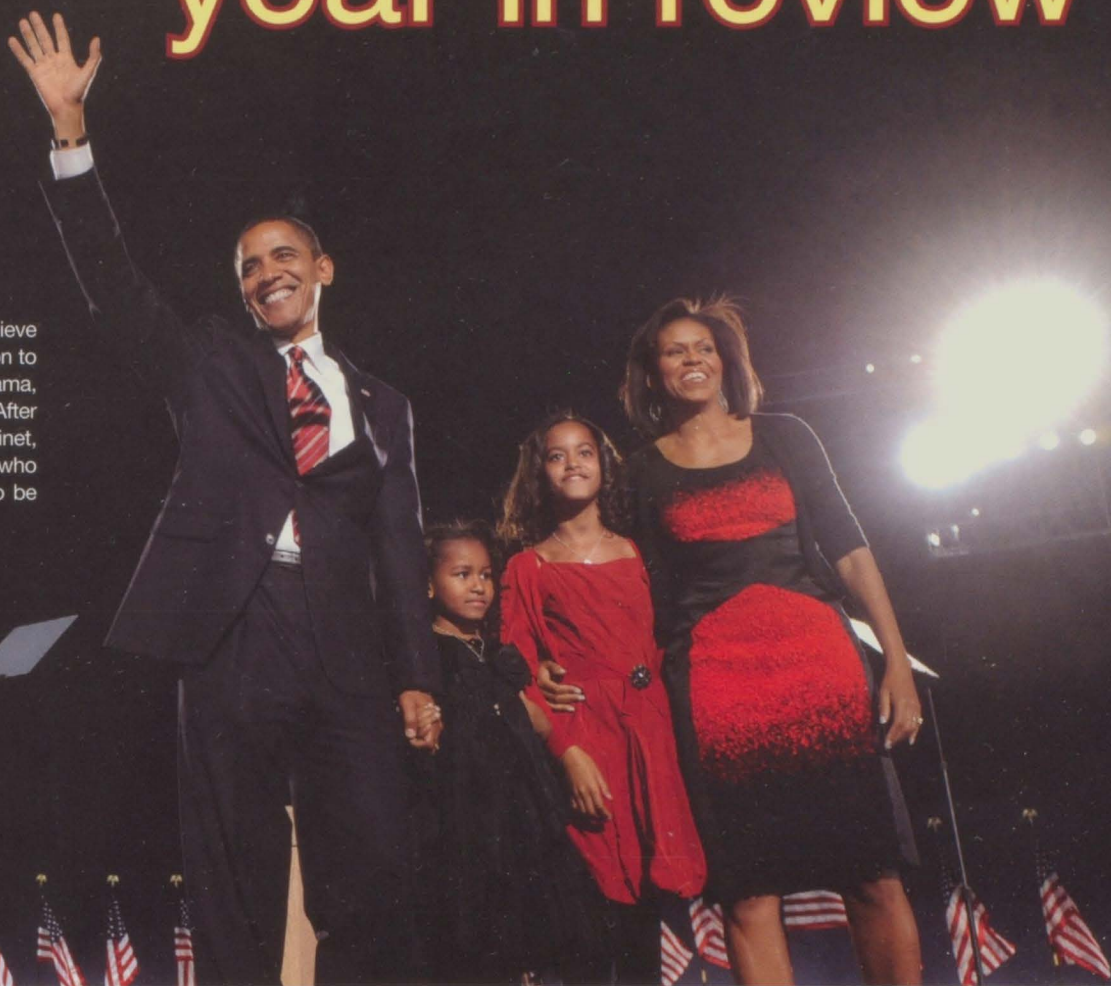




# 2008-09 year in review

## ELECTING CHANGE ►

Using the campaign slogan, "Change we can believe in," Democrat Barack Obama won the 2008 election to become the 44th president of the United States. Obama, 47, is the first African-American to lead the nation. After his election, Obama quickly began selecting his cabinet, including asking New York Sen. Hillary Clinton, who he defeated to win the Democratic nomination, to be secretary of state.

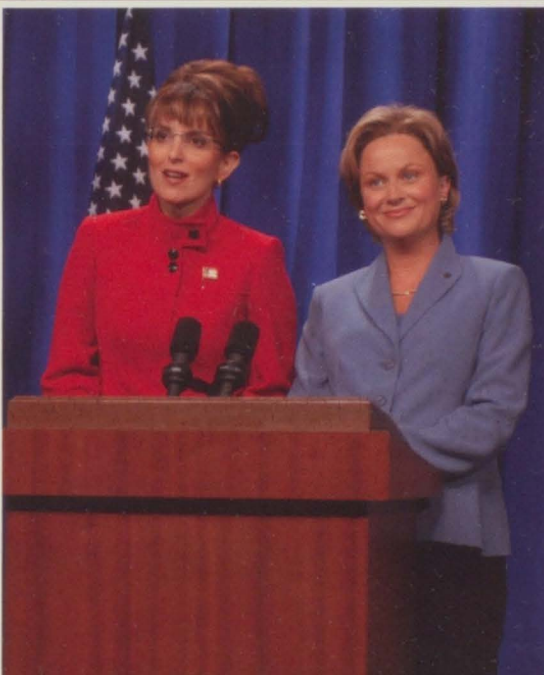
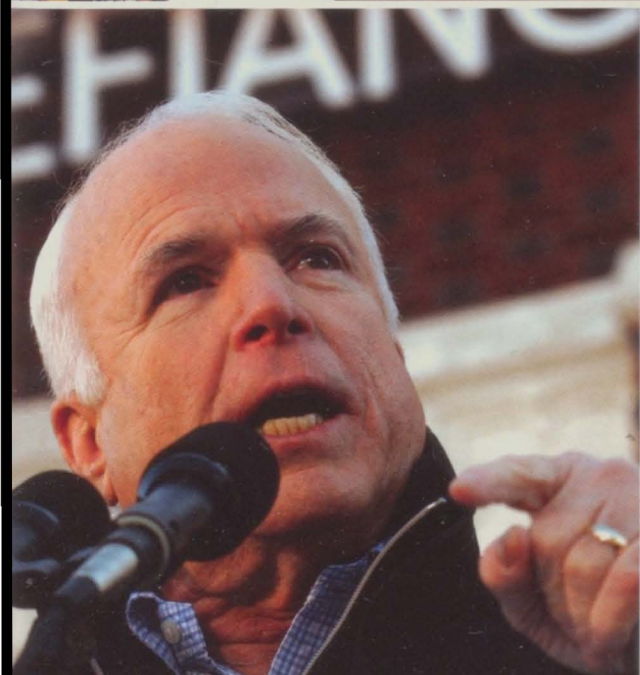


## JOIN THE TEAM

Email:   
Zip:   
**CONTRIBUTE**

## THE TECHNOLOGY STUMP ◀

Campaigning style changed with Obama's use of the internet. Obama had about four million "friends" on Facebook and had collected about 10 million email addresses. He used texting to announce his vice presidential pick – Sen. Joe Biden of Delaware. His campaign website morphed into a transition website within 24 hours of his election.



## MAVERICK RIDES OFF ◀

To win the election, Obama, a Democrat, beat Sen. John McCain, a Republican from Arizona. McCain's running mate was Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin, the first woman to run as a Republican vice presidential candidate.

## LIVE FROM NEW YORK... ◀

Nobody took advantage of the election season more than the sketch comedy show *Saturday Night Live*, which brought back former cast member Tina Fey due to her resemblance to VP nominee Sarah Palin and rode Fey's impersonation to its highest ratings in years.



#### HISTORIC ELECTION ►

To win the Democratic nomination, Obama defeated New York Sen. Hillary Clinton, the former first lady and the person considered the front-runner of her party. The highly charged campaign included five other serious Democrat candidates. The Republican field was even bigger, with McCain coming from behind to best eight others to win his party's nomination.

#### DRAWING A CROWD ▼

People came to hear Obama speak during the campaign. His Democrat Party nomination acceptance speech was held at Invesco Stadium, about two miles from the convention center in Denver, to enable more than 70,000 people to attend. On election night, Obama held a victory rally in Grant Park, attended by 225,000 people.



#### BEEN THERE, DONE THAT

Jenna and Barbara Bush, the daughters and granddaughters of President George H.W. Bush and President George H. Bush, wrote a letter to Malia and Sasha Obama that included this advice:

- Get hugs from Ramsey, smiles from "Smiley" and talk football with Buddy, three of the White House ushers.
- Slide down the solarium banister.
- Have swimming parties.
- Get comfort from your pets.





#### PARTY HARDY ◀ ▼

Washington, D.C., was packed with more than two million people on Jan. 20 for the historic inauguration of the nation's first African-American president. Despite the cold weather and the need to huddle together, the crowds remained enthusiastic. Obama took the oath of office with his hand on the Bible used by President Abraham Lincoln during his first swearing-in ceremony.



#### SEEKING VOTES ▲

Candidates would do a lot of things on the campaign trail in pursuit of votes. Obama got winded playing basketball with the University of North Carolina's team. Mike Huckabee, a Republican candidate, played bass in his rock band Capitol Offense and even took a turn trying to rope a fake steer at the Fort Worth Stockyards.



#### VOTERS TURNED OUT ▲

In the general election, a record 127 million votes were cast, with about 31.7 million voting early for the first time in 30 states. However, as a percentage of voters, turnout was about 61%, versus the record of 67% in 1960. Long lines to vote, either early or on Nov. 4, were orderly. Lines were also orderly the next day as many people snatched up newspapers carrying the results.



#### POLITICIANS BUSTED ►

Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich faced federal corruption charges for allegedly trying to sell or trade Barack Obama's Illinois senate seat. U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens of Alaska was convicted of trying to conceal home renovations and other gifts from an oil industry contractor. And Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick pled guilty to obstruction of justice and resigned amid a sex scandal.



## Jobs Center



#### WHO ARE YOU? ▲

The fight against insurgents continued in Iraq and Afghanistan. While violence decreased in Iraq, Defense Secretary Robert Gates revealed plans to send more U.S. troops to Afghanistan to battle the Taliban. Deployment of American troops meant tearful farewells and joyful homecomings. Sometimes, servicemen returned to meet new family members.

#### GRIM ECONOMY ▲

The faltering economy instilled fear worldwide. Americans felt the recession as home foreclosures, job layoffs and food prices increased. The stock market drop of 44% in the past year stripped college and retirement investments for many people. The federal government in October approved a \$700-billion bailout plan for the nation's financial system to try to get the economy moving. In February, President Obama signed a \$787-billion economic stimulus bill to pump more money into the economy.



#### GREENING OF AMERICA ◀

Going green affected several aspects of daily life. Reusable shopping bags became a fashion statement. Buying locally produced food saved on gasoline and meant fresher tastes. And at home, more people began buying compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFL) as incandescent bulbs will be phased out in a few years. CFLs save energy and add a new shape to lighting fixtures.

#### MAKE IT TWO FOR TIM ▼

Quarterback Tim Tebow led the Florida Gators to their second college football national championship in three years, when they defeated Oklahoma in the BCS title game, 24-14. However, the championship did not come without debate. Several other teams—including Utah, Texas and USC—continued to question why there was no playoff system and staked their own claim to the crown.

#### GAS UP, GAS DOWN ▼

After a record high of \$4.11 per gallon on July 17, gasoline prices were down 60% to a five-year low of \$1.63 during the last week of December, according to the American Automobile Association. Prices began rising again in early 2009. Despite the lower prices, Americans continued to drive less.



#### BACK IN THE SPOTLIGHT ▲

The comeback of actor Robert Downey Jr. from a serious drug problem became complete this year when he landed the lead role in the hit movie *Iron Man*. Downey followed it up with another critically praised role in the comedy *Tropic Thunder*.

#### A MORE URGENT NEED ▲

Rising oil prices and continued climate changes made the search for alternative, renewable sources of energy a more prevalent topic of discussion. Solutions like wind farms, using large turbines, became more common.

#### WHO CAN YOU TRUST? ▲

Investors ranging from small charities to major international banks appeared to have lost about \$50 million in a fraudulent investment allegedly devised by a former chairman of the Nasdaq Stock Market. Bernard Madoff, 70, was charged with securities fraud in what might be one of the biggest fraud cases ever.

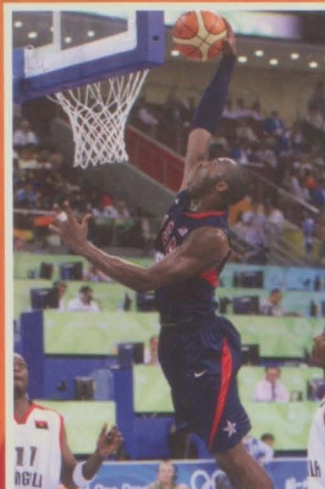


#### GAMES TO REMEMBER ▼ ►

American swimmer Michael Phelps made history at the Summer Olympics in Beijing, China, by becoming the first athlete ever to win eight gold medals at one Olympics. During his breathtaking week in the pool, seven of Phelps' eight victories were new world records.

But Phelps was not the only American making history at the Beijing games. Kobe Bryant led the men's basketball team, dubbed the "Redeem Team," to a gold medal and helped vindicate U.S. basketball after a poor showing four years ago. Nastia Liukin won the women's gymnastics all-around and tied the American record for most gymnastics medals at one Olympics with five.

Perhaps the fastest-rising star outside of Phelps' pool was Jamaica's Usain Bolt, who ran a 9.69 in the 100 meters to win the gold and shatter the previous world record.

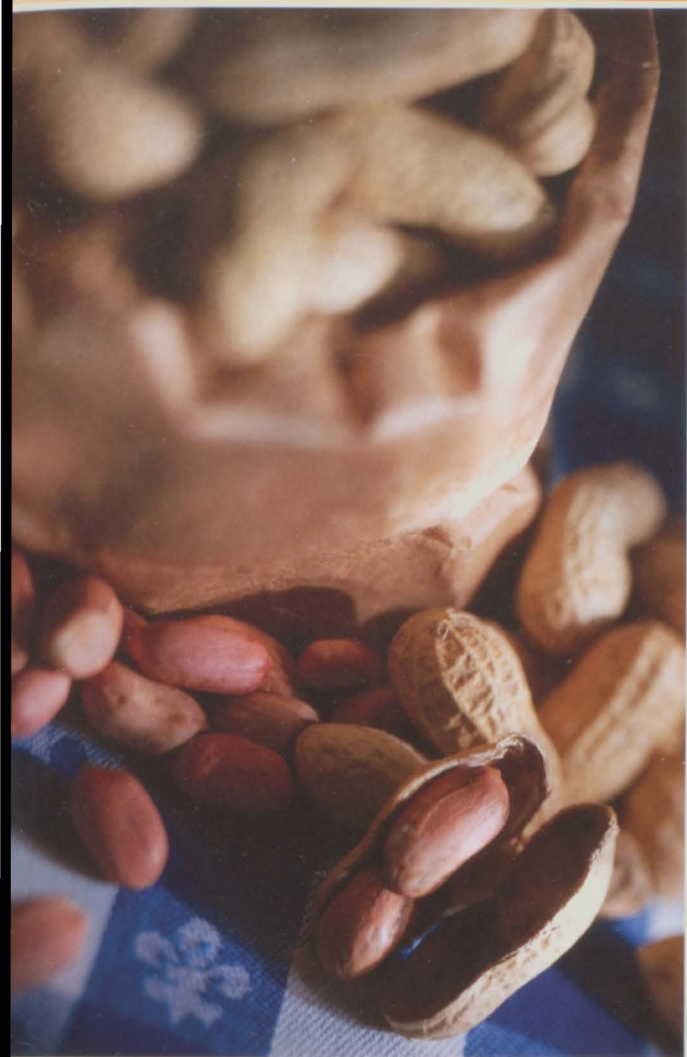


#### 2008 OLYMPICS MEDAL COUNT

	TOTAL	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
1 - United States	110	36	38	36
2 - China	100	51	21	28
3 - Russia	72	23	21	28
4 - Great Britain	47	19	13	15
5 - Australia	46	14	15	17







#### PEANUT WITHDRAWAL ◀

Peanut butter products were recalled in 43 states after salmonella was found in peanut paste made in a Georgia plant. At least six people died and more than 485 people got sick. Peanut paste is a product used widely in snack foods, leading to goodies such as crackers, cookies, nutrition bars and ice cream leaving store shelves. Most peanut butter brands were not affected.

#### TIME FOR A SWITCH ▼

Governments around the world, including the United States, continued the mandated switchover from analog television broadcasting to digital. In the U.S., an original February 2009 deadline was pushed back to June when Congress deemed that millions of people weren't ready. The switch to digital was being done to allow for more advanced services, like high-definition TV, and to free up radio spectrum bandwidth.



#### NEW NUMBER ONE ▲

Rafael Nadal finally completed his quest to replace Roger Federer as the number one tennis player in the world. The rivalry reached a new level at Wimbledon, where Nadal defeated Federer in a five-set, five-hour classic that some sportswriters called one of the greatest matches of all time. Six months later, Nadal did it again when he beat Federer in another five-set marathon to win the Australian Open.

#### CONTAMINATED FORMULA KILLS ◀

In China, several babies died and more than 12,000 were hospitalized after drinking baby formula contaminated with melamine. Melamine also was found in chocolate and other products exported from China to other countries, including the United States. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration began limiting imports of Chinese dairy products until they were free of melamine.

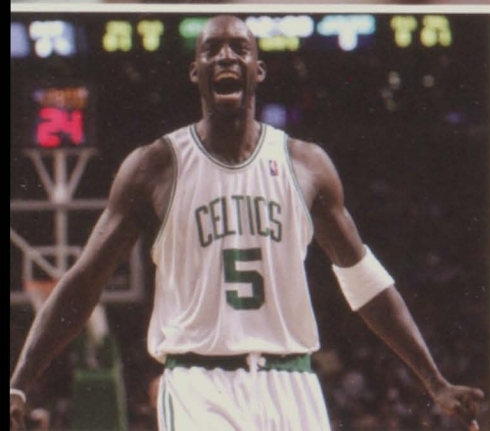
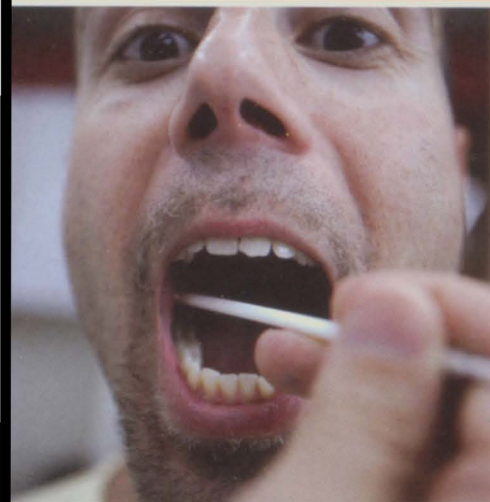


#### DNA SELF TEST ▼

Over-the-counter home DNA tests could now be found at the local drugstore. Kits and results could be purchased for as little as \$200, and all they required was a swab of saliva. However, debates raged on the accuracy of the tests, as well as the ethical concerns.

#### GREEN MACHINE ▼

The Boston Celtics re-emerged as the dominant team in basketball when they defeated the L.A. Lakers to win the 2008 NBA title. Then, the Celtics picked up where they left off by beginning the new season winning 27 of their first 30 games.



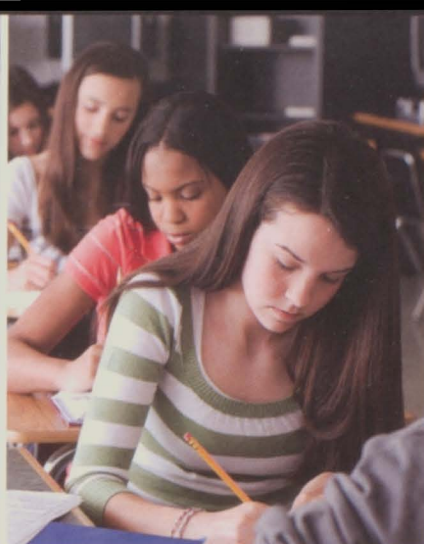
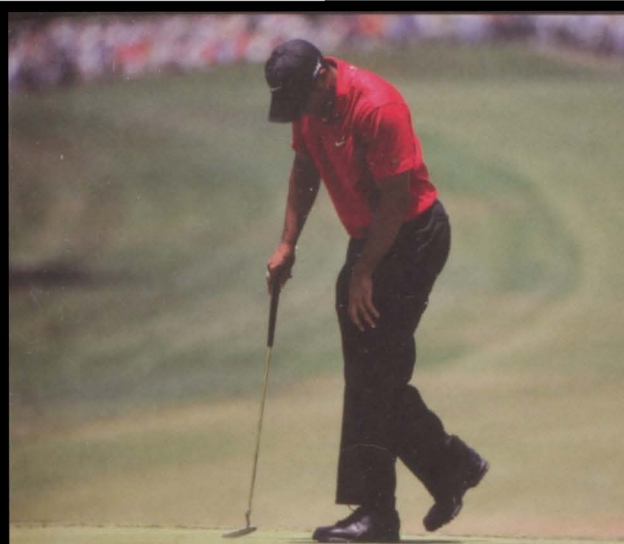
#### NO JOKE ▲

Anchored by the haunting, tragic final performance of the late Heath Ledger as the Joker, Batman sequel *The Dark Knight* drew rave reviews and shattered box office records. Earning more than \$500 million, *The Dark Knight* became one of the most commercially successful American movies ever made.

#### ROCKETS AND RETALIATION ◀

Israel declared war with Hamas, the Islamic militant group that rules Gaza, in an effort to stop continued rocket attacks from Gaza into southern Israel. Israeli officials said they were targeting militants in its air and ground assault of Gaza, while Hamas said it would continue to defend its people against Israeli aggression. The Israeli offensive lasted 22 days.



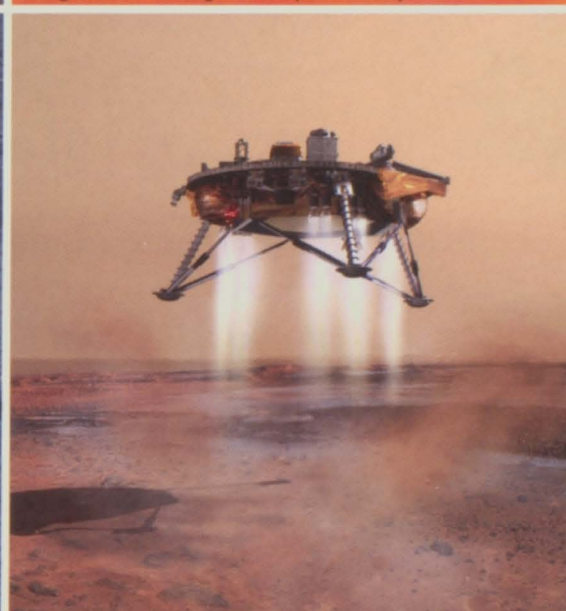


#### EPIC WIN ◀

Despite playing on what was later found to be a torn knee ligament and a stress fracture in his left leg, Tiger Woods played through the pain and won his third U.S. Open title, defeating Rocco Mediate in a playoff. Afterwards, surgery on the leg forced Woods to miss the remainder of the season, the first extended absence of his pro career.

#### CREATIVE CLASSROOM FUNDRAISING ◀

Needing money to print tests, a California calculus teacher began selling ads on his quizzes, tests and exams. Tom Farber of Rancho Bernardo High School sold ad space on the bottom of the first page to parents and businesses. Parents and students enjoyed the ads, but Farber said he did not plan on using the fund-raising method permanently.



#### SULLY SAVES THE DAY ▲

An experienced pilot, Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger, was hailed a hero when he crash-landed his US Airways plane into the Hudson River in New York after the engines failed during the takeoff ascent. All 155 passengers and crew on board survived by escaping onto the wings, where ferries and U.S. Coast Guard boats rescued them. Birds were initially blamed for blowing the engines.

#### PHOENIX LANDING ▲

NASA's Phoenix spacecraft became the sixth vehicle to make a successful landing on Mars. Phoenix conducted more than five months of experiments before losing contact, more than expected, and discovered the presence of ice on the red planet.

#### STILL ON TOP ◀

Despite ratings being down slightly, American Idol was still the most watched show on TV, averaging more than 27 million viewers a week. David Cook was chosen the winner of the 7th season, and changes were made for the show's 8th season when producer Kara DioGuardi was added as a fourth judge.

#### BOX OFFICE NUMBERS

<i>The Dark Knight</i>	\$530 million
<i>Iron Man</i>	\$318 million
<i>Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull</i>	\$317 million
<i>Hancock</i>	\$227 million
<i>WALL-E</i>	\$223 million

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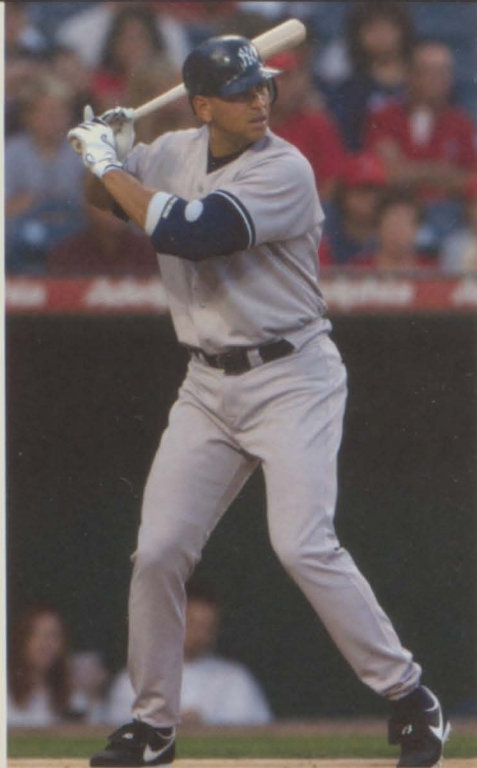


#### ANOTHER TROUBLING ADMISSION ►

New York Yankees third baseman Alex Rodriguez, a 12-time All Star and three-time MVP, shocked many when he confirmed published reports indicating he had used performance enhancing drugs during the 2001-03 seasons. Rodriguez's admission came after news surfaced that had failed a confidential drug test in 2003. Despite his apology, Rodriguez's legacy was immediately debated.

#### PRESERVING THE PLANET ►

The Global Seed Vault was built in Norway, where it holds and preserves thousands of seed types from around the globe should a major catastrophe strike the planet.



#### DRIVER DISTRACTION ▲

Investigators said a Los Angeles Metrolink train engineer appeared to have been texting on the job prior to a crash that killed 25 people and injured 130 in September. It was not immediately known whether the engineer was texting at the time of the crash, however, investigators said the brakes were not applied before the crash.

#### MILLIONS GO SLUMMING ►

*Slumdog Millionaire*, the story of an inner-city teen from India who strikes it rich on a popular TV gameshow, won Best Picture at the Oscars. The rest of the nominees included *Milk*, *The Reader*, *Frost/Nixon* and *The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*.



#### HARD TO STOP 48 ►

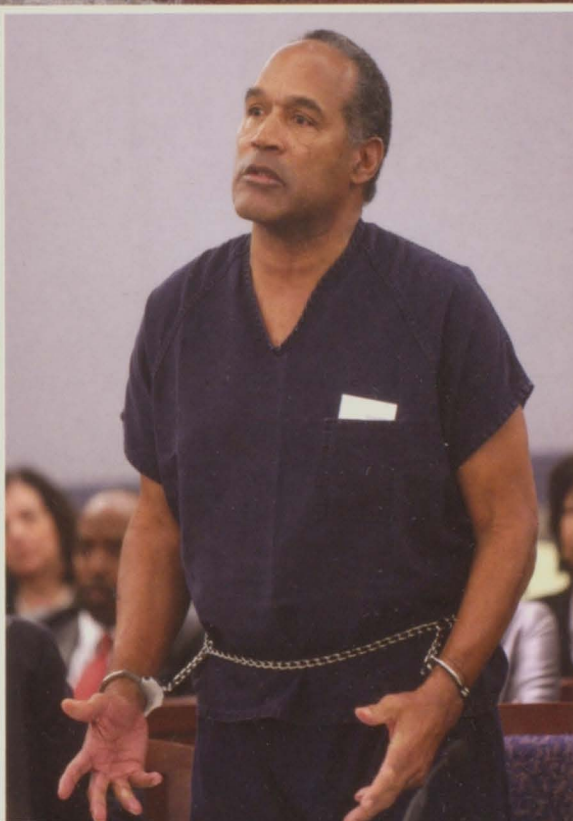
Jimmie Johnson became just the second driver in NASCAR history to win three consecutive season championships, when he put together a 2008 that included seven race wins and five runner-up finishes.





#### SIX-BURGH ▼

The Pittsburgh Steelers ended a memorable Super Bowl XLIII when wide receiver Santonio Holmes grabbed the game-winning touchdown in the corner of the end zone with less than a minute left in the game to defeat the Arizona Cardinals, 27-23. It was the sixth Super Bowl victory for the Steelers, the most for any NFL team.



#### SOME JUICY GOSSIP ◀

*Gossip Girl*, the TV drama based on the series of books of the same name, continued to get strong ratings from the teen crowd. There were even rumors that the show, centered on the lives of socialite New York City teens, could lead to spin-offs.

#### JUICE GOES TO JAIL ◀

Former Heisman trophy winner O.J. Simpson began serving at least nine years in prison for his conviction in the robbery of sports memorabilia from dealers in a Las Vegas hotel room in 2007. The trial garnered fewer headlines than his 1995 trial, in which he was acquitted of the murders of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and Ron Goldman.



#### FAR-REACHING STORM ►

Hurricane Ike devastated Galveston, Texas, when it hit Sept. 13, and caused damage and power outages in at least 10 states from Texas to Ohio. At least 34 people were still missing at the end of January. Also in the wake of the storm, the southeast U.S. experienced grave gasoline shortages.

#### NOT QUITE SASQUATCH ▼

Two Georgia men, Rick Dyer and Matthew Whitton, fooled much of the country when they claimed to have found the infamous Bigfoot in the northern Georgia hills. The two even went as far as producing a deceased body, fooling several news outlets and collecting reward money. Very quickly, the body was found to be a costume and the entire story to be a bad hoax.



#### PARENTS ABANDON CHILDREN ▲

Nebraska's legislature revised its Safe Haven Law after parents abandoned 35 children, some of them teens. All states have Safe Haven laws regarding infants, but Nebraska's original law allowed parents to drop children as old as 18 without fear of prosecution. Some parents came from other states, including Teri Martin of Michigan, who faced parental termination rights in Michigan.

#### NOBODY BETTER THAN ANNIKA ►

Annika Sorenstam announced her retirement from competitive golf. She ended her career as the winningest female golfer of all time with 90 career tournament wins, including 10 LPGA major titles.







#### FINDING AN AUDIENCE ◀

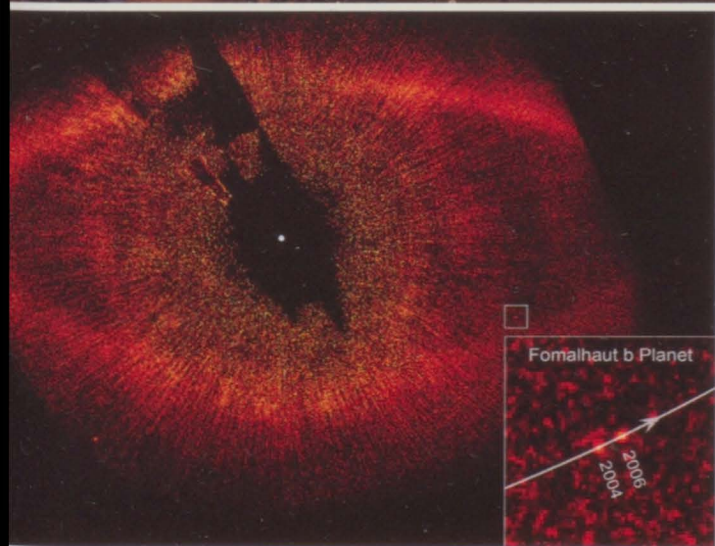
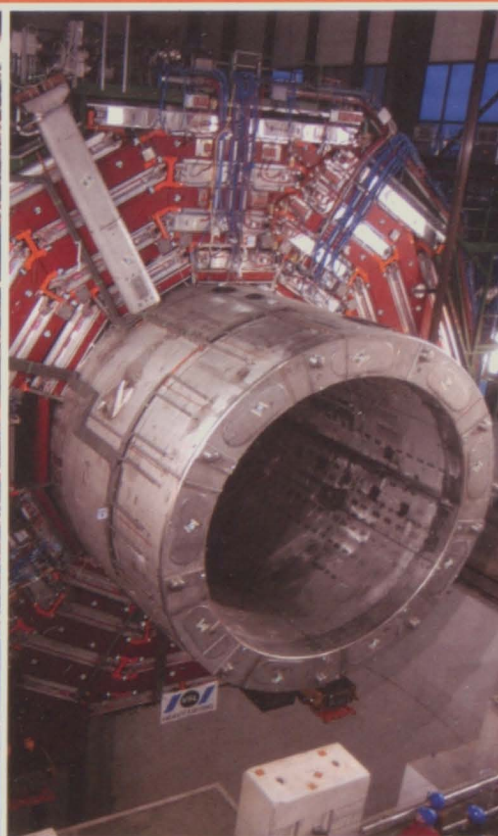
For the second straight year, critically acclaimed sitcom *30 Rock* won Outstanding Comedy Series at the Emmy Awards and began to slowly gain in the ratings, possibly getting a boost from the fame star Tina Fey gained during the presidential election.

#### ONE LAST PITCH ▼

After 85 years, the original Yankee Stadium closed its doors to make way for the new stadium being built for the New York Yankees. The final game was played in the "House That Ruth Built" on Sept. 21, 2008, against the Baltimore Orioles, with the Yankees winning 7-3.

#### SETBACK FOR THE LHC ▼

European scientists build the Large Hadron Collider in Switzerland, a giant particle accelerator designed to study advanced physics and unlock many of science's mysteries. Before the LHC's launch, conspiracy theorists speculated that the machine's power would create a disaster such as a black hole. While that did not happen, the LHC did suffer a malfunction shortly after becoming operational, which delayed the project's work.



#### THEY'RE OUT THERE ◀

Astronomers have known for several years that exoplanets, or planets outside of our solar system, existed. But it was not until this year that a group of astronomers from the U.S. and Canada were able to produce photographs of two of these planets in actual visible light.

#### A BOLD EXPERIMENT ◀

Kanye West, the most commercially successful rap star of the moment, released an experimental pop album titled *808s and Heartbreak*. West surprised his fans and critics alike by choosing to sing, rather than rap, on most of the songs. The heavy use of drum machines and an audio processor to alter West's voice brought mixed reviews, but earned the star praise for innovation.

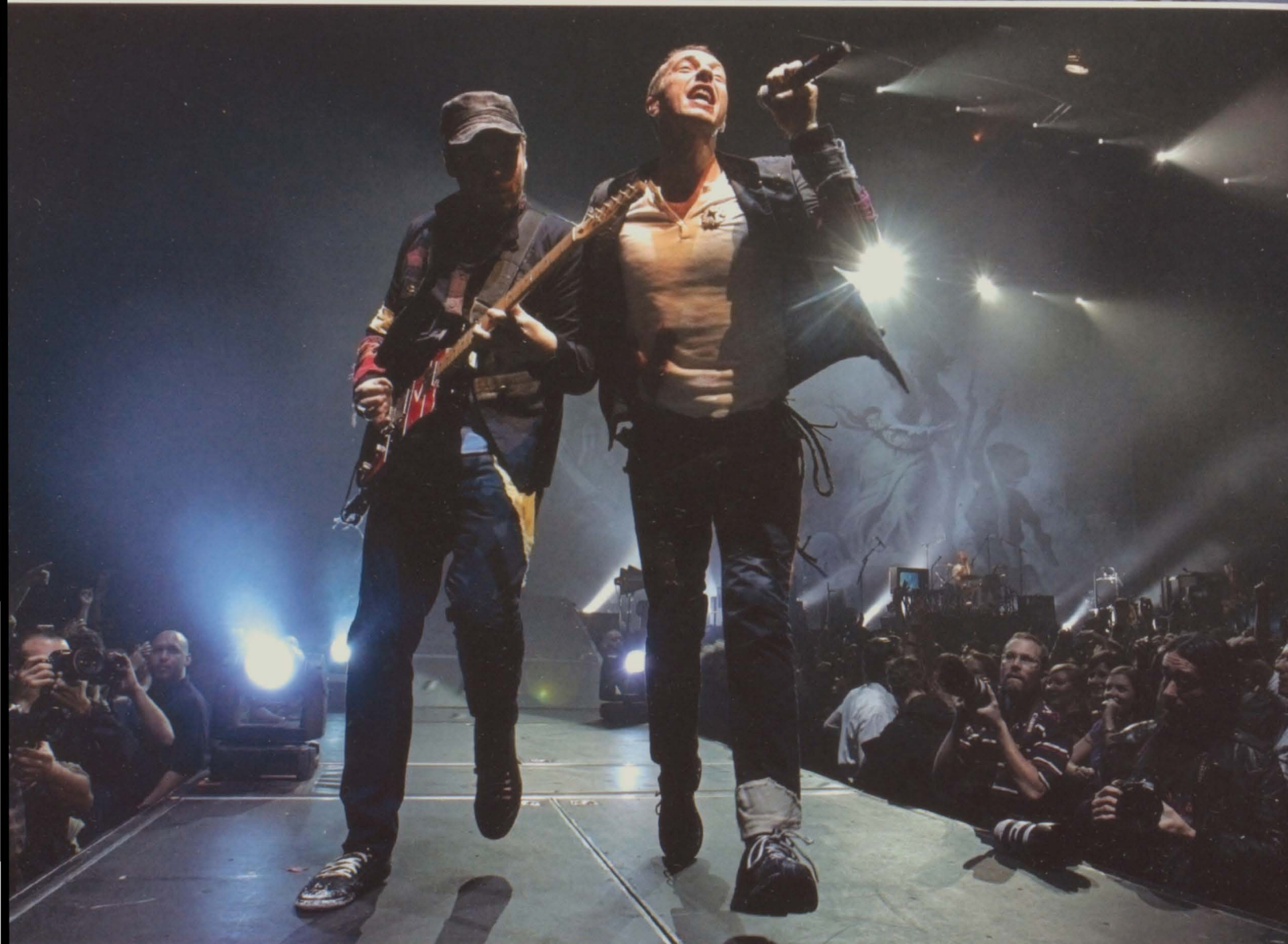


#### PIRATING FLOURISHES ►

A multinational task team led by the U.S. Navy was cracking down on pirates off the coast of Somalia. In February, the U.S. Navy made its first arrests of pirates on behalf of the team. Piracy has become big business and a big nuisance in the Gulf of Aden. In 2008, pirates attacked almost 100 vessels, hijacked at least 40 and received an estimated \$150 million in ransoms.

#### LIVING THE GOOD LIFE ▼

British alternative rock band Coldplay released the album they spent the previous two years working on, *Viva la Vida or Death and All His Friends*, and it became one of the best selling records of the year. The quartet also landed seven Grammy nominations and launched a successful tour.



#### BY THE NUMBERS • According to various surveys:

**Half of primary care doctors said they would change careers because of paperwork in their practice.** A shortage of family doctors was predicted by 2025.

**About 2.5 million grandparents act as parents to their grandchildren.** Parents who moved in with their adult children increased 67% between 2000 and 2007, mostly for financial reasons, not age.

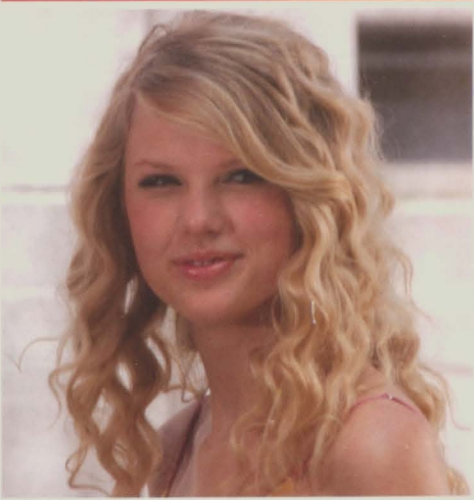
**About 25% of American adults are obese.** Obesity rates for children remained the same after a 25-year increase. About 32% of children were overweight, 16% obese and 11% very obese.





#### RAMPAGE IN INDIA ◀

More than luxury hotels and a hospital were damaged in the bombings in Mumbai, India, which killed almost 200 people, mostly Westerners. The fragile relationship between India and Pakistan was strained. Indian officials demanded that Pakistan turn over the suspects. While Pakistan officials said no evidence linked the terrorists to Pakistan, they promised to help with the investigation.



#### THE FUTURE OF COUNTRY ◀

At only 19, young country star Taylor Swift became Billboard's highest-selling country artist of the year when her second album, *Fearless*, joined with her self-titled debut record to pass five million in sales. Swift later won Favorite Country Artist at the American Music Awards.

#### CARRY IT ALL ◀

Big purses were one of the big fashion statements of the year. Neutral or multi-colored, girls and women could carry almost anything they needed with them. Scarves and boots remained must-have accessories. For boys, the slightly spiky look was being worn in short to medium hair. In college, showing up to class in sweats was cool.

#### IS IT SAFE? ◀

Governments struggled to get a handle on the potential dangers of Bisphenol A, or BPA, an organic compound present in some plastics used to make products such as baby bottles. When new studies showed that exposure to BPA had links to many diseases, Canada and several U.S. states moved for legislation to ban the use of BPA in bottles.



#### QB SHUFFLE ▶

It was an NFL regular season where big name, veteran quarterbacks made big headlines. Green Bay's Brett Favre decided to end his retirement and coaxed the team into trading him to the New York Jets. At 37, Arizona's Kurt Warner had his finest season in years and led the Cardinals to the Super Bowl. Meanwhile, New England's Tom Brady missed virtually the entire season when he was knocked out in week one with a knee injury.

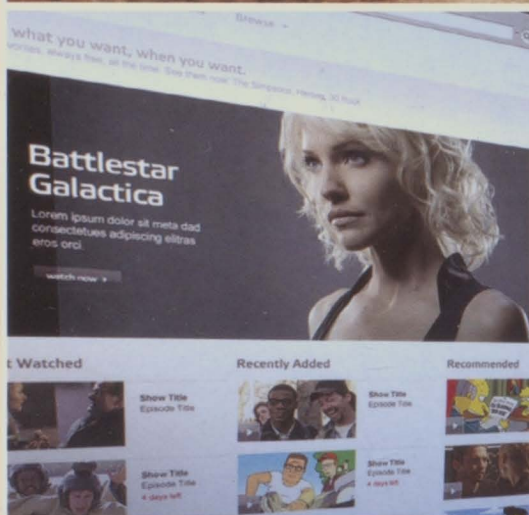


### A LONG TIME COMING ▶

The Philadelphia Phillies won just the second world title in their 125-year history by defeating the Tampa Bay Rays in the World Series. By winning a rain-soaked Game 5 that was delayed for two days by storms, the Phillies ended Tampa's hopes of going from the worst record in baseball to the championship.

### THIRD TIME'S A CHARM ▼

Rapper Lil Wayne's latest album, *The Carter III*, was one of the best selling records of the year, going platinum five times. It also earned him eight Grammy nominations, more than any other musical artist.



### IT'S ON HULU ◀

When NBC and News Corp. launched their streaming video website Hulu.com with almost no content, there were skeptics everywhere. By the end of the year, once full episodes of TV shows from a variety of channels was up on the site for free, Hulu.com had become one of the most popular destinations on the internet and a rival to YouTube.

### NO MORE BRATZ ▲

The makers of Bratz dolls were ordered to stop making them after Mattel Inc., makers of Barbie dolls, won a four-year legal dispute. MGA Entertainment, which manufactures Bratz, planned to appeal the decision. The federal court order cited jury findings that designer Carter Bryant developed the Bratz doll concept while working for Mattel.

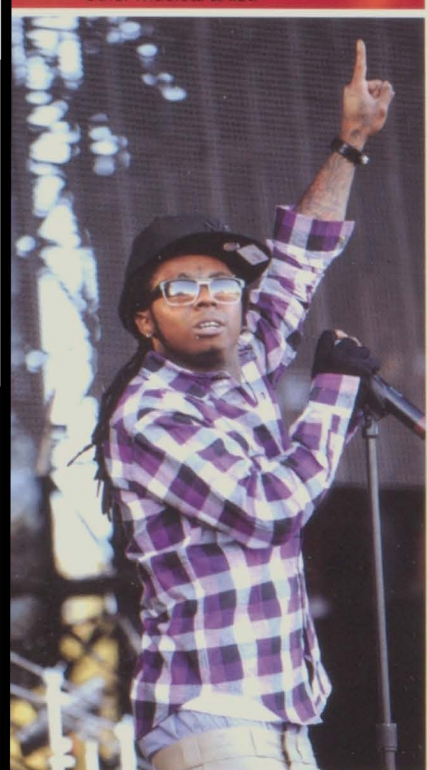
### VAMPIRE TALES ◀

*Twilight*, the first novel in the popular "Twilight" series about a teenage girl who falls in love with a fellow high school student who is a vampire, was made into a movie that drew huge box office numbers.

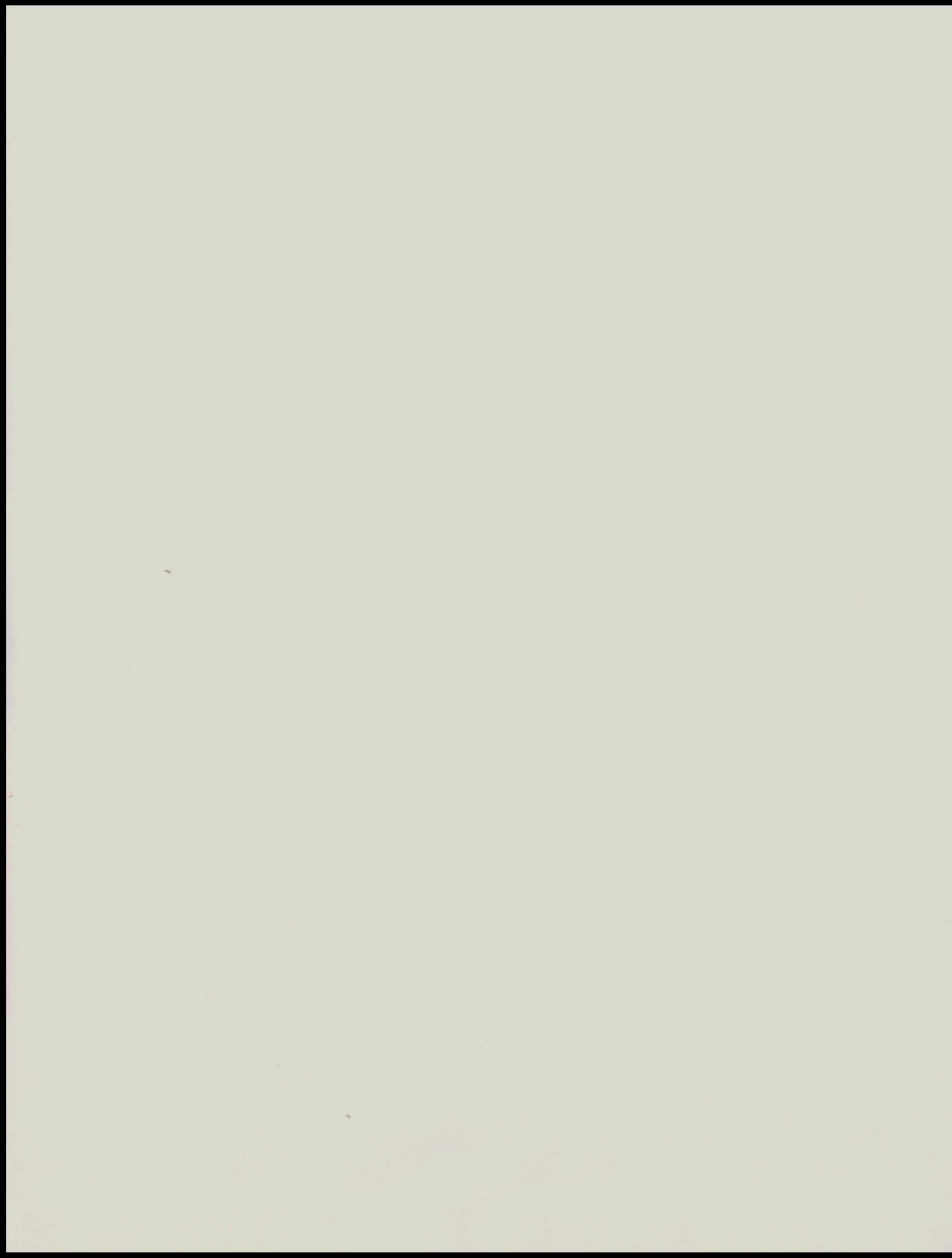
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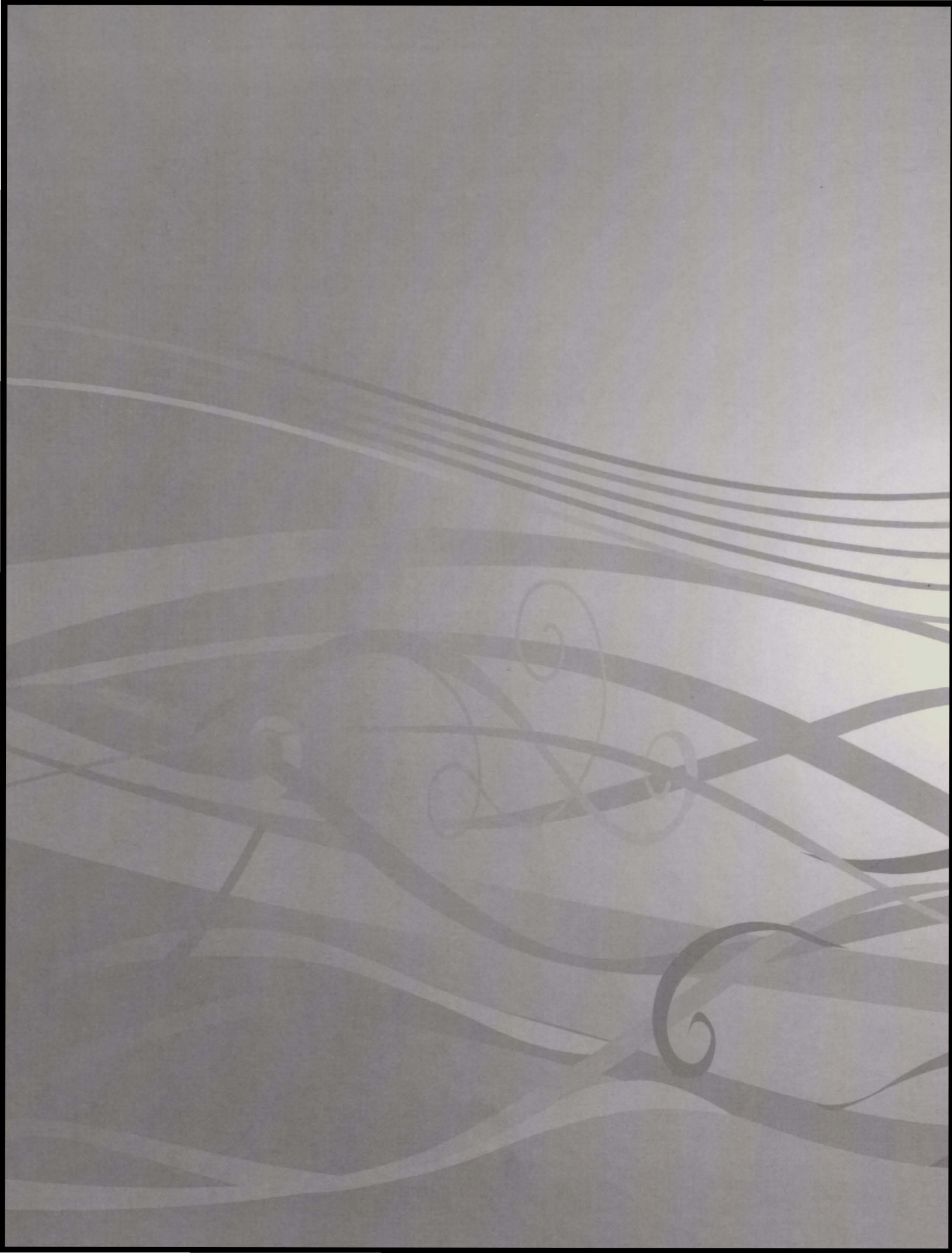
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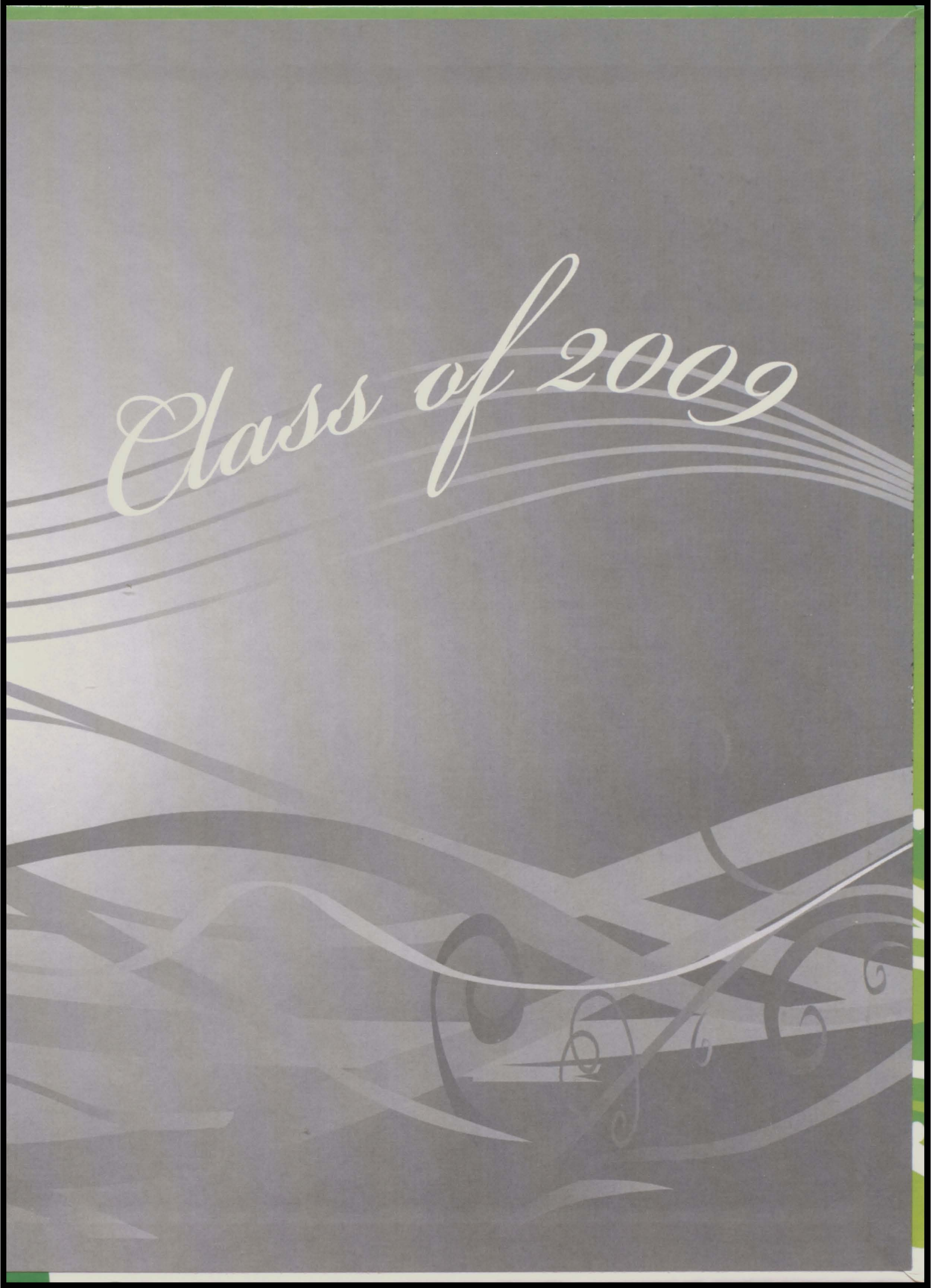








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